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Students defend Academy

by Laura Pierson
Editor in Chief
by Kathy Barnes
News Editor

The article about The Academy in The Kansas City Star was inaccurate, according to the seven students still in the full scholarship program at Mt. Alverno convent outside Maryville.

The students and treasurer of The Academy, Mike Nakayama, said their words were misconstrued and taken out of context by The Star reporter.

In fact, the students claim the story was given to The Star by disgruntled Academy dropouts who wanted Academy contributors to pay their tuition, even though they had dropped out of the program.

The Kansas City Star maintained The Academy was in danger of losing its tax-exempt status and facing possible fines for not filing tax returns for the previous three years.

Nakayama said the IRS was fully aware The Academy had not filed the proper forms. In Pennsylvania, where The Academy was located four years ago, the law required an independent audit

before filing taxes. Nakayama said he did not realize Missouri did not require the \$3,000 to \$5,000 audit.

Nakayama said he told the IRS they could not afford the audit, but the IRS did not bother to tell them the audit was unnecessary in Missouri.

"When we look at expenses, we look at it in terms of human lives. So if I'm going to say 'it's going to cost me \$3,000 to \$5,000 to get this audit done,' and I'm not trying to say this isn't a legitimate expense, but I look around the room and say 'which one of these guys can't be in this program because I've got to have the money to get the audit done,'" Nakayama said.

Now that Nakayama is aware the audit is not needed, steps are being taken to remedy the situation and The Academy is not in danger of losing its tax-exempt status.

Parents of Academy dropouts claimed they spent thousands of dollars on unnecessary travel expenses. Academy students provided documents to the *Missourian* showing travelling costs for a student living furthest away, Florida, totalled \$237. This covered two round-trip tickets, one of which

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'Escort program' 'stalemates'

Organizers seek support, funding, volunteers to revive program

by Jill Erickson
Staff Writer

It's late, and it's dark out: You still have a long walk across campus to your room, but you are alone. A year ago you could have simply dialed 1111.

A dispatcher from the Escort Program working at Campus Safety's office would have taken your call and sent you two escorts who would have walked you safely to your destination.

When you dial 1111 today, you will reach officers who may be on their way to answer other calls for fires, fights, emergencies or just out on patrol.

"The program is in a stalemate right now," Escort's founder and President Chris Hagan said. "We just don't have enough people volunteering to work the long hours when escorts are needed."

Campus Safety Director Jill Hawkins, who advises the Escort Program, said the organization is not operating today because there is a lack of demand for the escorts.

"Last year there were more concerns over safety," Hawkins said. "But, unfortunately, that concern among students has diminished."

Hawkins also suggested that better marketing was needed to

bring in more members and that perhaps a reward system was needed to compensate escorts for their time.

"Sometimes we would have to work every night for four hours," Escort's past Vice-President Jennifer Lewis said. "After awhile, we just weren't getting used as much, and a lot of our time was spent waiting around."

The Escort Program, which began in February, 1990, is recognized by Student Senate and began when concerned students, like Hagan and Pat Holmes, put their heads together to devise a plan for action.

"I figured it was a shame if students couldn't walk across campus alone at night without feeling safe," Hagan explained.

The program was successful its

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Career Day

Companies visit campus, recruit future employees

by Dawn Scarbrough
Staff Writer

The seventh annual spring Career Day was held Tuesday, Feb. 19 in the Conference Center to provide students with information on possible future employers and internships.

According to Jeannine Gaa, director of student career services, Northwest sends a mass mailing to 3,000 companies in the summer, not only to advertise for Career Day, but also for recruitments.

"We ask for literature, pamphlets, brochures and reports. We do inform them at that time of Career Day and that they can recruit on campus," Gaa said. "From that we do a follow-up to the primary companies and request that they remember about Career Day and come to that."

Fifty-five organizations participated in Career Day this spring, and, according to Gaa, a wide range of companies were

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WORLD OF JOBS—Career Day gives Randy Higgins and Steve Hansen the perfect opportunity to make contacts with people like Leota Love, Staffing Supervisor at World of Fun/ Oceans of Fun. Career day was held in the conference center on Tuesday. (Photo by Bruce Campbell)

Acclaimed musicians to perform at Charles Johnson

A four-day tour by the University of Cincinnati College Conservatory of Music Wind Symphony will bring the group to Northwest. The group will perform tonight at 8 p.m. in the Charles Johnson Theater. There will be no admission charge for the show.

During the concert, the Cincinnati Wind Symphony will perform selections from the following repertoire: "Gavorkna Fanfare," Jack Stamp; "Statue," Ivan Tcherepnin; "Mosaics," Michael Tippett; "Concerto for Wind Ensemble," Michael Weinstein; "Irish Tune from County Derry," Percy Grainger; "Molly on the Shore," Percy Grainger; and "Greek Dances," Nikos Skalkotas.

The four-day tour will also include a featured performance at the College Band Directors National Association Convention in Kansas City. The group is directed by Eugene Corporan, professor of music and director of wind studies.

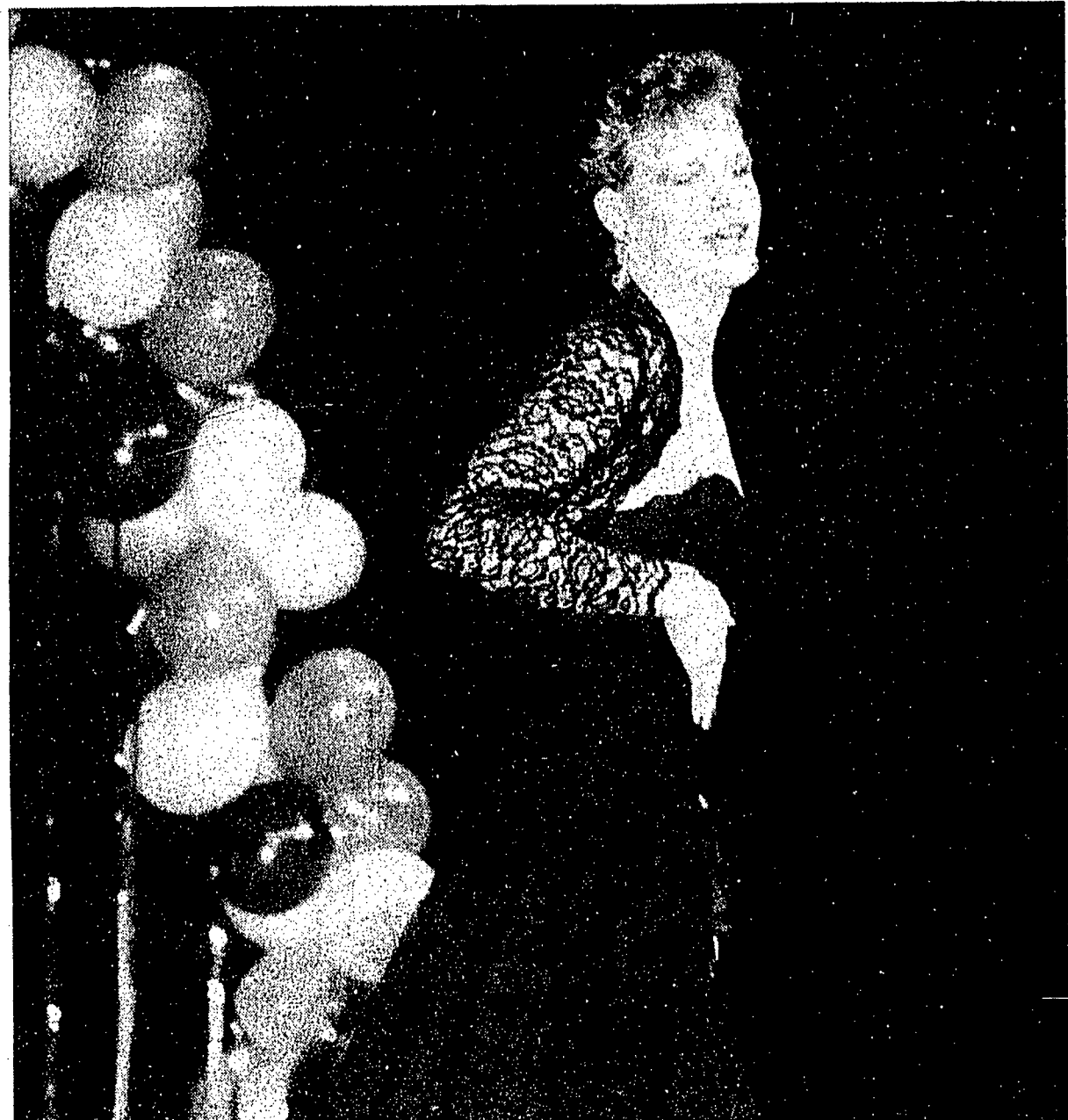
Corporan is praised as "an extraordinary technician and craftsman, able to encourage from his musicians the drama, dissonance and

tonality that enhances the breathtaking harmonic language of a wind symphony." He has been a frequent guest clinician at several Northwest music festivals.

Dr. Terence Milligan, conductor of the Symphony Band and the University of Cincinnati Bearcat Marching Band, will be the guest conductor of the group.

The Wind Symphony is composed of the most outstanding musicians in the College Conservatory of Music and is recognized as one of the premier ensembles of its kind. Critically acclaimed "for the quality and commitment of their musicianship as well as the diversity and originality of their programming," the group is dedicated to bringing the finest repertoire of all musical periods to its audiences.

The ensemble has released two CDs featuring American music, "Made in America" and "Hearts Music." Reviewers have praised "their professional sound and enterprisingly musical performances as well as their adroitness, assurance and sophistication."



HERE SHE IS?—Posing for the judges John Keirnan, playing Joline Hennibell, competes in the first annual Sigma Sigma Sigma Shemale Pageant. Keirnan, sponsored by Delta Chi, made it into the semi-finals, but lost the crown to Gary Pilgrim, who was sponsored by Student Ambassadors. (Photo by Asa Waltersom)

Men compete as women in Shemale

by Chad Ferris
Staff Writer

Before a crowd of approximately 350 students, 10 contestants competed for the title in the First Annual Sigma Sigma Shemale Pageant in Charles Johnson Theatre on Monday, Feb. 18th.

The contestants were judged

on areas as evening gown: fitness, composure and grace. In the talent department: originality, interaction with the crowd, performance and overall performance. Creativity and originality of the answer was what the contestants were judged on for the question and answer division of the contest.

The 10 contestants consisted

of John Keirnan (sponsored by Delta Chi), Jeff Garrett (sponsored by Alpha Sigma Alpha), Bob Covell (sponsored by Tau Kappa Epsilon), Byron Webster (sponsored by Phi Sigma Kappa), Kevin Gullickson (sponsored by South Complex), Gary Pilgrim (sponsored by

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SMSU officials withhold damaging information

by Kathy Barnes
News Editor

Southwest Missouri State University officials withheld information when a star athlete was accused of rape and also altered a crime report linking a top official to stolen property, according to arguments heard this week in federal court.

In a hearing on a suit filed by Traci Bauer, editor of the Southwest Standard student newspaper, her attorney contended that the university was hiding behind a federal law to avoid bad publicity about campus crime.

University officials contend that the crime reports are educational records and that to release them would violate the law and could cost the school millions of dollars in federal aid.

School attorney John Black said the Federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act prohibited the release of personally identifiable information.

Former Missouri appellate judge Douglas Green, Bauer's lawyer, tried to show that university officials covered up crimes to keep from tarnishing the school's image.

Bauer testified that she first began having problems getting information from campus security in the spring of 1989, when she

inquired about allegations of rape against a star basketball player.

Campus security handled part of that investigation when it was reported in March 1988, but had not released any information about it. The alleged rape, for which no charges have been filed, reportedly occurred in an apartment used as an athletic dormitory.

Also on Tuesday, a retired Springfield police major testified that there had been at least nine sexual assaults during one period in 1987 that had not been reported to the city police department.

It wasn't until a victim contacted Springfield police that the department became aware of the problem.

After that, retired major Bill Hensley testified he met with university officials who said they wanted to provide a good image of the campus, especially while legislation on a possible name change was pending before the General Assembly.

Also entered into evidence Tuesday was a Springfield Police Department report on a possible theft of campus equipment. At one point in the report, the city's investigating officer noted that campus security had a suspect,

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OUR VIEW

Soviets need peace talks of their own

Iraqi leaders are meeting with Soviet Union officials in hopes of reaching some sort of peace compromise in the Middle East.

The Soviets, as one of the strongest nations in the world, are trying to utilize their influence for a quick solution to end the war in the gulf. It seems to be rather ironic that they are trying to be instrumental in ending the conflict in the Middle East, when they are not even at peace with themselves.

The Soviet Union killed 21 people in clashes with the Baltic Republics of Latvia and Lithuania. Many of them were killed when a Lithuanian broadcast center was stormed by Soviet troops last month. The number killed as a result of the struggle in the Soviet Union increased to 22 Tuesday when Vytautas Kancevicius, a 50-year-old father of two, died from gun shot wounds he suffered during the attack.

The country appears to be getting closer to a civil war with even Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev's power being questioned by members of the republic. Boris Yeltsin, a frequent Gorbachev critic, accused the president of departing from democracy in favor of violence and pressure.

How can a country on the verge of civil war try to establish peace in the Middle East? It seems to be a conflict of policy.

The Soviet Union should try to practice what they preach. They want the killing to end in the Middle East, but they are still occupying the Baltic Republics of Latvia and Lithuania with troops.

They are trying to do something good, but it is hard to see what good will actually come from the talks, since neither side is meeting with the United States about the plan for peace.

If each of the nations involved are really after peace, they would all meet about it. They would not leave a vital country out of the discussions, unless the talks were a complete joke to begin with.

TOP 10 NEW CONDITIONS FOR SADDAM'S WITHDRAWAL

10. "JUST STOP CALLING ME SADDAM!"
9. PETER ARNETT TO WORK IRAQI TV.
8. "I WANT A CHALLENGER SIMULATOR JUST LIKE HUBBARD'S"
7. ARA TO CATER ALL IRAQI LUNCHEONS.
6. MUSTACHE GROOMING KIT.
5. CALVIN KLEIN BERET TO REPLACE CURRENT K-MART BLUE LIGHT SPECIAL BERET.
4. SLING SHOT TO LAUNCH SCUDS FROM HIS BEDROOM WINDOW.
3. HOST MTV'S HEADBANGER'S BALL.
2. ALL EXPENSE PAID TRIP TO KENNEBUNK PORT, MAINE WITH GOOD PAL GEORGE.
1. CO-HOST SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE WITH GORBACHEV.

Neither early to bed nor early to rise

Sleeping late causes alarm



STROLLER

Being me isn't easy. It's not easy to have been the Campus Crusader for so long, upholding student opinions and trying to shine a light on the darker sides of campus without stumbling once in a while. Of course, what I'm talking about is my problem of waking up late for class one too many times.

These classes don't even have to be early ones either. I've become such a whiz at sleeping through alarms, phone calls and tornadoes (well, that may be stretching the truth, but...) that it really doesn't matter.

Your Stroller has even gotten used to the wonderfully funky tunes emitted from the Bell Tower. They say every student suffers from this problem at least once in their college career, but lately I feel like I must be the only one suffering from an acute case.

Have you ever noticed how many excuses your brain can make for not getting up after you know you're already late? There

never has been a law created that said you couldn't walk into class late. Heck, as a matter of fact, I think that would be impressive to a teacher that you gave it the old college try, whether or not you made roll call.

BUT, your conscience, or maybe your sleepy body, takes over and there you go -- back into dreamland, only to awaken at about 9 p.m.

I remember the day I realized that I wouldn't have to be awakened by Stroller mom's high-pitched voice singing "Good morning to you" and yanking the blankets off. Too much freedom can just ruin a perfectly good human being, you know?

I even remember using the excuse of "I just can't bear to watch my roommate sleep in while I have to get up. So darn it, I just won't go either." Of course, my roommate was smarter than I was and took late classes, but I found many reasons to justify

this behavior by thinking I would be waking ol' roommate up if I turned on the light or used the hairdryer. Good rationalization, don't you think?

Since realizing I have a definite problem with the alarm clock, I've decided to start my own rehabilitation group. Sessions will deal with how to strategically place your alarm clock across the room so you have to get up (and setting a trap for yourself to fall into if you even think about going back to bed on your walk out of the room).

Other topics covered will be setting your alarm on the music mode. The trick is to set the station to some kind of music you don't like. When the alarm goes off and Jimmy Buffet is singing in your ear, that makes for a pretty big incentive to get up. (Sorry Buffet fans...)

I've tried others' advice for waking up on time. There was the get-up-at-the-same-time-everyday-and-your-body-will-get

used-to-it plan. That lasted about one day when I realized in order to do that you really had to go to bed by a decent hour. How could I explain that to my Pub buddies?

Off to plan number two. This one was the buy-an-alarm-that-sounds-like-a-foghorn trick. That got rid of a couple of perfectly good roommates quickly.

While attempting to master these techniques, all I managed to perfect was the act of actually reaching to change the wake up time on the alarm and wound up resetting the actual time. Boy, that screwed up everything. My alarm went off at the time I set it for, but it would sometimes be 7 p.m. when it was actually 8 a.m. Get the picture?

You'll be glad to know that I haven't given up yet. I just purchased a super-duper, deluxe, lock-on-the-alarm, no-snooze, set-volume-level alarm clock. Of course, it doesn't say a word about not being able to unplug it if it bugs me...

Victims list their rapists



Points To Ponder

by Laura Pierson
Editor in chief

We should read the writing on the wall

Like the Vietnam Memorial, a wall is being used to list the names of men engaged in battle -- a battle of wills -- his versus hers. These are not men noted for their bravery, but rather for their brutality. They carry out their disgusting covert actions under the camouflage of a "date." They are date rapists.

This wall is not a dedicated memorial by people who want to lovingly remember those whose names are listed, but is compiled by victims who wish they had never known their perpetrator.

The wall bearing the names of these alleged rapists is located in a bathroom of Brown University's Rockefeller Library, Rhode Island. The names are also showing up on other bathroom walls throughout campus.

Janitors' efforts to clean off the lists have been in vain. The names reappear the next day. The first name was scrawled on the wall last September, "_____ is a rapist." Soon other names followed. One writer urged, "Compile a list of other men on campus to watch out for."

The list was thought to be aimed as much at Brown administrators as the rapists themselves. Why? Reading some of the entries should answer this question.

_____ is a rapist.

Report the animal.

If you think that will do any good at all, you have a lot to learn about the judiciary system. Let's start naming names. If we don't take care of each other, no one will.

_____ is a rapist. Nothing can get him off this campus. He's been tried, went home for a week for "Psychiatric evaluation." Rich white boys can do whatever they want on this campus.

Be careful. You could be ruining these men's lives.

I am careful. Two of the men on this list assaulted me. They are the ones who should be concerned about ruining peoples' lives.

According to a study conducted in 1984 and 1985 of date rape on campuses, one in nine college women had been raped, eight of 10 victims knew their attacker. Fewer than five percent report the crime. One in 12 college men admitted committing acts that are legally rape and only 1 percent saw their behavior as criminal.

One of my friends was raped on a Missouri college campus by her "date" who thought he did no wrong.

During the 1989-90 academic year, Northwest had a total of five alleged rapes. This figure bothers me. As many as 30 names (many more rapists unlisted I'm sure) appeared on the wall at Brown, which has a student population of 6,500, only 700 more than Northwest.

It took the list to prompt Brown to hold a forum on the issue. Although I suspect more rapes occurred than what was reported, five rapes at Northwest is five too many. Before a list starts at B.D. Owens Library, I challenge rape victims to come forward and make public to all the name of the men who raped them.



LETTERS

Officer defends Amnesty International

Dear Ms. Pierson,

It has been brought to my attention that Amnesty International has been charged with being a Communist front organization. It has been called to my attention that Northwest's international students have been harassed and threatened as a result of the war in the gulf.

As an officer of Northwest's Amnesty International, I feel it is my responsibility to defend our group and the rights of foreign nationals on campus by clearly explaining its specific mission: "To tell the truth so that the world's peoples can respond with the moral outrage required to stop the hideous crime against humanity that torture is, and to add names to the roster of the only organization of its kind in history to have won the Nobel Prize for peace."

Amnesty International is a global movement of people which exists to preserve human dignity. The organization acts upon the articles of the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights. The Declaration states clearly that the success of Amnesty International depends upon its impartiality; it is independent of any government, political grouping, ideology, economic interest or religious creed.

Amnesty International exists to: 1) undertake cases involving prisoners of conscience -- men, women and children who are imprisoned anywhere for their beliefs, color, sex, ethnic origin, language or religion, provided they have neither used nor advocated violence; 2) raise the consciousness of the peoples in the region represented by Northwest to the level of working for the release of all prisoners of conscience; 3) increase the membership and money resources of Northwest Amnesty International to gain fair and prompt trials for political prisoners and to end torture and executions in all cases.

The Kansas City Star recently commended Amnesty for its efforts in recognizing the injustices which are now occurring in the Middle East.

Certainly such a reputable organization could not be affiliated with communistic activity. It is an organization which is responsible for the release of prisoners much like our own being held captive by Saddam Hussein's troops. If anything, the members of Amnesty should not be fingered as "reds," but should be congratulated for raising consciousness during a time when it is desperately needed.

Sincerely,
Kelly Edmister



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SQUEAKY CLEAN—Above, Daily chores, such as cleaning up after dinner, are the norm for Melanie Garcia and Demian Gardner while living at The Academy east of town. The Academy teaches discipline in the body, mind and spirit. (Photo by Bruce Campbell)

STRUMMIN'—Right, To relax after a hard day of school, Travis Collins plays a tune on his guitar in his room at The Academy. Collins has played the guitar for about two years. (Photo by Bruce Campbell)



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The Academy paid for half. The Star also reported Director David Hemmerling had taped students as they exercised.

Academy documents quoted Hemmerling saying, "I made a recording of the noise the other morning in the center of my room with the door closed, and you would be astonished by the racket."

According to student Joe Jobe, Hemmerling was calling attention to the total disregard they had for the mandated quiet required in the living quarters.

The Academy students say they are just like any other students, despite their strict regimented lifestyle.

"Routine is only a small part of it," Jobe said. "It is a package program. We're about building well-rounded, well-developed human beings; someone who's developed in leadership and mental and physical discipline."

Academy dropout, Brian Molesker, said he left the program because they were not allowed to come and go as they pleased. He added that he had no regrets about The Academy.

The Academy needed \$45,000 to continue as of Friday, Feb. 15. It is unknown if it will close or if the money was raised.

Correction: It was reported in last week's Missourian that an Academy contributor had raised \$300,000 for the Academy last semester. The figure should have been \$30,000. The Missourian regrets the error.

Participants happy with results

Theatre department kicks off Lab Series

by Marsh Hoffman
Staff Writer

The first two department of theatre Lab Series plays, "The Chastening" and "The Devil and Daniel Webster," were performed Feb. 8 in the Charles Johnson Theater.

Annette Filippi, director of "The Chastening," said her play's performance was better than expected.

"It was perfect. I couldn't ask for it to have gone any better," Filippi said. "It went better than all the rehearsals did."

Filippi credited the cast and the department for the performance. "We had a lot of help on our technical day. It was nice to see people from the department pitch in when they didn't have to and help with things like the lighting and sound," she said.

Graduate student Lisa Smeltzer played Mr. Scratch/the Devil in "The Devil and Daniel Webster." Smeltzer said the play's cast was one of the largest ever for the Lab Series.

"There were 26 people in the cast, including eight square dancers and 14 high school stu-

dents," Smeltzer said. "We had 38 sets of costumes, and we doubled up on some. Also, masks were used instead of make-up to save time."

The biggest challenge, however, was holding rehearsals at a time convenient for everyone.

"We rehearsed mostly on weekends, and Monday and Tuesday nights," Smeltzer said. "We did not have everyone there together until opening night because of scheduling conflicts, but we pulled it off."

Smeltzer said only one slot was still available of the ten Lab Series slots, which meant the Series was larger than in the past. Only one slot remains open.

Students in directing class, like Filippi, usually direct the plays for a grade, but Smeltzer said that several this year were directed by students not in the class.

"It was a great opportunity for anyone to gain a lot of experience," Smeltzer said. "We encourage people to participate by auditioning, helping a crew or by volunteering in some other way because there is plenty of opportunity for everyone."

Senate sponsors student gripe day

by Tonya Reser
Staff Writer

February 28 has been set aside by Student Senate as Gripe Day. This day students will have their opportunity to tell representatives what they are looking for in the University and student government.

Three tables will be set up throughout the J.W. Jones Student Union. Two representatives from Student Senate will be placed at each of the tables to communicate with the students about the desires they might have. There will also be a box there for written suggestions.

According to Lisa Hubka, Student Senate chief of staff, enough senators have signed up to run the tables from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

"This is somewhat like a human suggestion box. Students will be at the tables to talk to the other students, but if a student feels uncomfortable about verbally expressing a concern they can write it out," Tom Vansaghi, president of Student Senate said.

According to Vansaghi, this plan is to get the Senate involved

with the students' needs. This is the students' opportunity to voice their concern. The Senate hopes the students will take advantage of this.

Student Senate is ready to accept any suggestions, comments, concerns or compliments. From there, the suggestions will be taken to Student Senate and divided between the committee structure.

According to Hubka, they got this idea from another school at one of the conferences she and Vansaghi attended.

"This program was very successful for them, and they made it an annual event. I am hoping we will get the same results. I want this to be a continuous program for us, too," Hubka said.

Student Senate will be putting signs up to promote Gripe Day. "Maybe with the signs reminding the students, they can start thinking about their concerns beforehand," Vansaghi added.

Hubka said, "This is kind of like a Tuesday night Student Senate meeting only with all of the students input."

University spring enrollment record at an all-time high

Northwest has recorded another all-time record spring enrollment by surpassing the previous high mark established in 1990 according to data released as of the University's census date on Tuesday, Feb. 12, by Dr. Robert G. Culbertson, vice president for academic affairs.

He said that the 1991 spring semester enrollment is 5,804, a

figure above the 5,750 students enrolled a year ago. Northwest's all-time enrollment was achieved last fall with 6,101 registered for classes on census date in September.

Included in the figures are 4,741 undergraduates and 1,063 graduate students. The full-time equivalency for the semester is 4,746.

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but "he is (in) the SMSU administration and they did not want to give his name at this time."

But Wednesday, Security Director Michael Batchelder testified that he altered a crime report linking that top university official to stolen property.

Batchelder crossed out the name of Danny Roberts, the assistant to the university president, who is suspected of stealing film projectors from the campus last year.

Batchelder said he did it to "prevent rumors."

He also said he discussed the crime reports with Jerry Patton, university vice president of administration.

University Relations Director Paul Kincaid said the crime reports are not public records, so they would not be subject to the state's open meetings and records law.

The case has drawn national attention because of increasing crime on college campuses and administrators' efforts to disclose crime reports. Media experts say the lawsuit may establish a legal precedent.

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represented and looking for students from a variety of fields. Opportunities were opened up to students to speak with representatives from such companies as St. Joseph Light and Power, KQTV-2, the Kansas City police department, as well as many agriculture-related firms and insurance companies.

Gaa cautions students to never assume that a company has nothing to offer in their field.

"For instance," Gaa added, "most of the insurance companies are not looking for sales representatives, which I think many tend to think they are. They are looking for claims adjusters, communication experts, underwriters, accountants and computer programmers. Students who came to find this out, I'm sure, were pleasantly surprised with the opportunities that were here."

The goals for Career Day were to inform students of the opportunities with all of the organizations that were on campus, to train the students in how to present themselves and to make sure they were dressed appropriately when visiting with the human resource person.

"Once they learn how to present themselves, they may even be asked questions at Career Day that they might not have been fully prepared for. So when they do sit across the table from an organization to be interviewed, they, hopefully, are more prepared in knowing how to answer those questions," Gaa said. "Another one of our objectives is to welcome organizations to Northwest, let them know about what excellently qualified candidates we have here, and that we make it one of our primary goals, not just an objective, to treat them well here so they will keep coming back," Gaa said. "They like the product that Northwest has to sell. They enjoy visiting with the students, and they want to come back."

Several employers present felt that not only the students could benefit from Career Day but they could benefit as well.

Gaa wished to remind students that it is their responsibility to make every effort, if they are looking for employment, to present themselves well at future Career Days and be prepared with resumes.

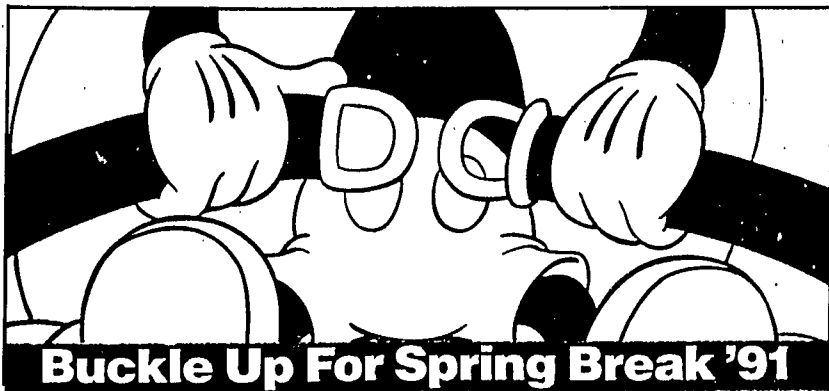
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first semester. It had attracted 20 members, a fourth of whom were women, and had assisted over 100 people.

"It went better than I had anticipated," Hagan said. "I went into it thinking it would work, but I just didn't know what kind of response we'd get."

The Escorts are strongly supported by Campus Safety and also received support from RHA, who sponsored picture identification cards for the escorts to assure students they were who they claimed to be.

"Our first semester went really good," Holmes said. "But when summer came, people didn't come back, interests

slacked off and it kind of died." Hagan is now struggling to bring the organization back to its feet. He plans to meet next week with Hawkins and Student Senate Representative, Keith Winge to re-evaluate the program and discuss possible solutions. "We started as a pilot project to see if the concept would work," Hagan said. "We proved that it could."

Hawkins said they are trying to get students interested again, but it needs funding. She said that there may be a grant proposal in the works.

"It could be a great organization," Holmes said. "If we could just get people involved that are dedicated to the purpose."

Support Staff sells sweets

Valentine Day bake sale brings funding

by Charmla Thoren
Staff Writer

Soft, gooey chocolate chip cookies sat between chocolate cupcakes and a heart-shaped chocolate cake sprinkled with red hots. This was not a bakery or a dream; it was the Support Staff's first Chocolate Festival held in the Administration Building on Valentine's Day.

The Support Staff represents the entire staff of the University and has been in existence since 1981.

According to Pat Stites, president of the Support Staff Council, every member was asked to bring at least one item.

The usual chocolate delights were present: cookies and

brownies. But some members of the Support Staff were creative.

A teddy-bear cake sat smiling in the middle of the table, waiting for someone to buy him. And in honor of Valentine's Day, there were plenty of heart-shaped cookies. Some had pre-written messages on them, while others were just frosted.

"We held the festival to raise money for the scholarship fund," Stites said. "This fall the first scholarship will be given out."

The guidelines for the scholarship include a 2.0 G.P.A. and the applicant must be a spouse or a child of a Support Staff member.

The Support Staff raised \$217.75 for the scholarship.

"That was about average," Stites said. "This was the first Chocolate Festival, but we raised around \$400 at our first bake sale."

For the "chocoholics" on campus, Stites said that this might become an annual event.



HUBBA, HUBBA—Jean Jones, master of ceremonies, asks Byron Webster, playing Kandi Kitten, a philosophical question during the first annual Sigma Sigma Sigma Shemalé Pageant. Webster, sponsored by Phi Sigma Kappa, performed a strip tease to the song 'Hey Big Spender' for the talent portion of the show. (Photo by Asa Wallerson)

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'Dude looks like a lady'

Student Ambassadors), Chris Hildebrand (sponsored by Ag Club), Ed Quillen (sponsored by Alpha Gamma Rho), Brian Wolf (sponsored by Phi Mu) and Jason Brennan (sponsored by Sigma Phi Epsilon). They soon narrowed the competitors down to the top five, then they named the winner of the pageant.

According to directors Heather Malmberg and Stacy Ottmann, the first Sigma Sigma Sigma Shemalé pageant was a large-scale version of a pageant their chapter in Texas had presented earlier this year. Sigma Sigma Sigma sent out letters to several organizations and 10 responses were collected and submitted for the competition.

Malmberg said, "I hope it's bigger and better next year and we make improvements."

"It can stand improvement, but it was fun and the people had fun doing it," Ottmann

said. The participants were to supply a name that they were to portray. Examples of these names were Iwannabe Elita, The Fleaster of Love, Kaveena Fantine Ashante Hoolet Doo-vay and Joline Hannibell.

Gary Pilgrim, as Bridget Lipstein, took all honors Monday night when he was named the winner of the Shemalé Pageant.

"The pageant was quite an experience and the time and effort paid off," Pilgrim said. "I credit it all to my grandmothers Lois and LaVerna."

Pilgrim received \$50 from the Sigma Sigma Sigma chapter for his hard work and performance.

"I had the time of my life," said finalist Bob Covell. "I wasn't out there to win, I just wanted to have fun."

Bob was portrayed as Bob-bette the Bashful Ballerina.

Dry Sigma's drive 'em home safely

by Jason Bruhn
Staff Writer

On Friday, February 22, Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority will begin a new program designed to help lower the chances of its members from being involved in any accidents involving drinking and driving.

The program, known as Dry Sigma, was picked up at a Tri-Sigma National Leadership School in Manhattan, Kansas, in September, according to Dry Sigma co-chairwoman Lisa Stageman.

"We are using it as a safety measure," Stageman said. "If

they are uncomfortable in a situation or if they feel the person they rode with is not capable of driving."

The program consists of volunteers answering phone calls and drivers who provide their own vehicles.

"I thought it was a worthy activity," Tina Hike said, a volunteer driver. "I don't think sitting at home one night will kill me to insure my sisters' safety."

Stageman was quick to stress that the program was not started because of an existing alcohol problem in the sorority, but to prevent one from occurring.

"Our chapter hasn't really had a problem with this in the past, but with the way law enforcement has been cracking down on it, it's a good way to keep my sisters safe and show the community that greeks are taking an active role in alcohol awareness," she said.

Dry Sigma Co-chairwoman Becky Wing also stressed a similar opinion. "To my knowledge there have not been any problems with drinking and driving in our sorority, but through this program we are taking necessary precautions to prevent anything but a safe environ-

ment for our sisters in the future."

Tri-Sigma Vice President Annie O'Connor feels the program will "be utilized to full capacity" during the rest of the semester. "I think it is a necessary cause to watch out for my sisters. It's good to know that people can go out and not worry about transportation home if they or the person they rode with have been drinking. I think it is important that people not be drinking and driving," she said. O'Connor volunteered to both drive and answer phones.

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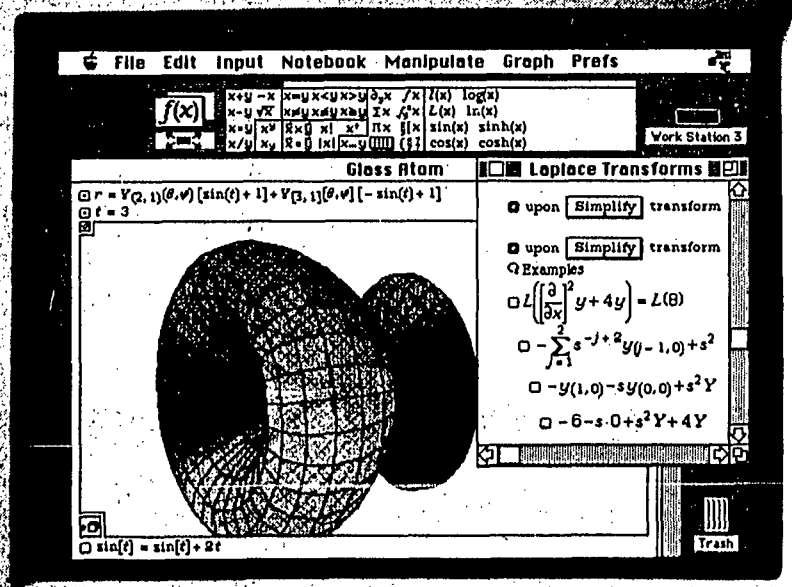
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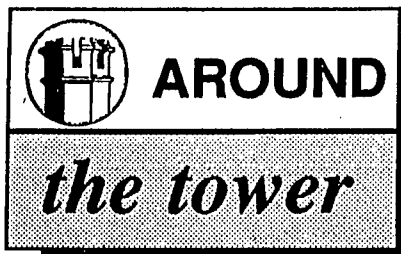
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Needed reforms topic of next forum

Reforms needed in the United States government is the next noon-time forum.

Dr. Robert Dewhirst, associate professor of government, will speak today on "Reforms Needed of American National Government."

The event will be held in Student Union University Club South and will begin around 12:10 p.m. There will be a short question and answer session.

New organization to hold meeting

A new organization is being formed on campus. The first meeting of Epsilon Sigma Alpha will be held at 7 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 28, in the Student Union Stockman's Room.

ESA International, founded in 1929, provides programs, information and personal support for members in over 1200 chapters throughout the United States and around the world.

It offers opportunity for philanthropic service and leadership development along with the prospect of life-long friendships.

Any Northwest student is eligible for membership in ESA. For more information contact Audra Anderson at 582-5501.

Shakespeare's last romantic comedy final theatre production this weekend

Shakespeare's last romantic comedy is also the last mainstage production this year by the theatre department at Northwest.

"Twelfth Night" will be presented at 7:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday, Feb. 22-23, as well as 2 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 24, in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center.

Tickets are \$2 with a Northwest ID card, children 12 and under and senior citizens; \$3 for students and groups; and \$4 for adults. Reserved seat tickets are available at the Student Services Center on the first floor of the Administration Building on weekdays and from 6-8 p.m. Monday through Thursday at the Mary Linn Box Office.

Exhibit part of Black History Month

February is Black History Month, and this month's exhibit in the DeLuce Gallery is part of Northwest's observance.

James Tatum, an associate professor and chairman of the fine arts department at Lincoln University, is currently displaying his works in the gallery through Saturday, March 2.

His work has been influenced by African motifs beautifully synthesized with an American aesthetic.

The DeLuce Gallery is located on the first floor of the Fine Arts Building and is open from 1-4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Special viewings can be arranged by calling the art department at extension 1314.

Professors attend conference

Two Northwest department of English professors, Dr. Barbara Steven Heusel, associate professor, and Dr. Jeffery Loomis, assistant professor will present scholarly papers at the Twentieth-Century Literature Conference being held in Louisville, Ky., Feb. 21-23.

Dr. Heusel's paper is entitled "Comedy in Iris Murdoch: The Orgasmic Form of her Mature Novels."

Dr. Loomis will deliver a paper entitled "Female Freedoms, Dantesque Dreams, and Paul Zindel's Anti-Sexist Gamma Rays."

Fraternity honored for academics

Delta Sigma Phi was honored recently as the top scholastic fraternity last year.

Intra-Fraternity Council honored the group for having the best grade point average of the eight Northwest fraternities for the 1989-90 academic year.

New system offered on campus

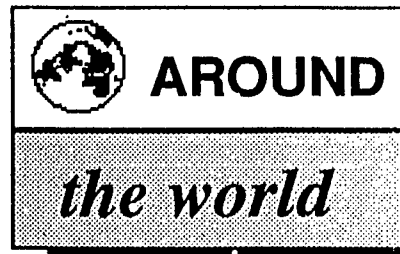
A new system is being offered on the Electronic Campus. "STAR," which stands for "Student Transcript and Accounts Receivable," is a state-of-the-art computer service.

The new system will allow students to view their class schedule, academic record, cashing bill, printing charges and telephone charges.

Students can access the "STAR" system via the computer in their residence hall room or any other terminal hooked up to the system.

Students must have their NODE 0 account number and password, their ID number and their date of birth. These identifiers will be used to grant access to their own confidential information.

A brochure outlining the "STAR" features is being prepared and will be distributed to students later this month.



Avalanches hit Switzerland, Italy

(St. Joseph News-Press/Gazette) Avalanches in various regions of alpine Switzerland killed six skiers over the weekend, police reported Monday, and two more bodies were found from a snowslide in Italy.

In Italy, meanwhile, rescue teams recovered the bodies of two more victims of a killer avalanche on Mont Blanc, bringing the confirmed death toll to nine.

Royal helicopter forced to land

(The Kansas City Star) A helicopter carrying Danish Queen Margrethe II and her husband was forced to land Monday when it experienced mechanical problems, officials said. No one was injured and the helicopter was not damaged.

The helicopter was on a 120-mile flight from Williamsburg to Charlottesville, Va., when a warning light indicated the craft had problems in its tail section. The aircraft landed at an airstrip in Hanover County near Richmond about 10:30 a.m.

Yale student found dead

(St. Joseph News-Press/Gazette) A 19-year-old Yale University sophomore has been killed during an apparent robbery at the edge of campus, raising student concerns about campus safety.

Christian Prince of Chevy Chase, Md., was found early Sunday a block from his off-campus residence and a short distance from the official residence of the university president, police said.

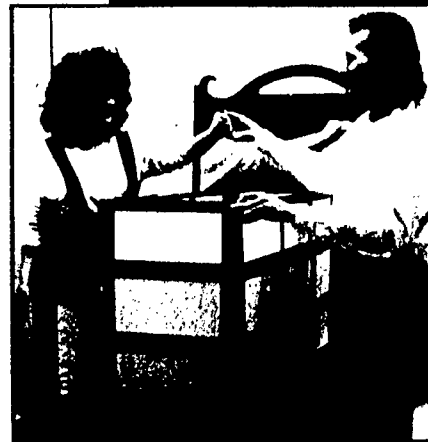
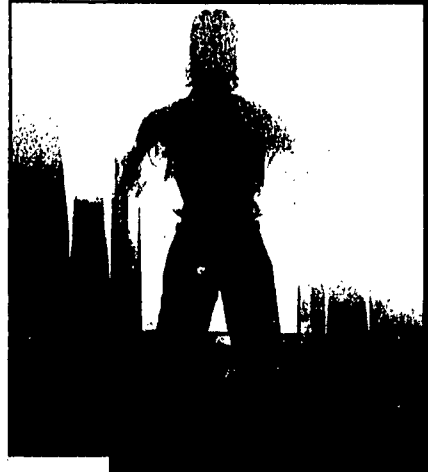
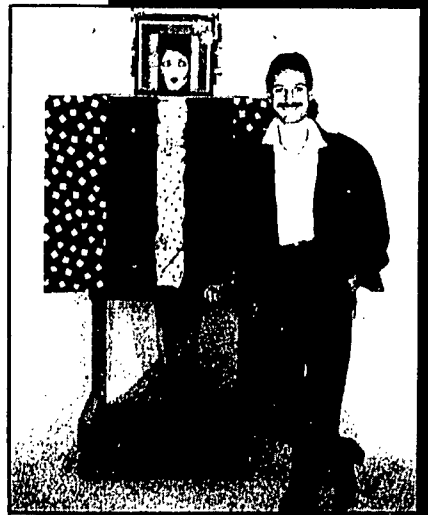
Five persons killed in fire

(The Kansas City Star) Careless smoking was believed to have started a fire Monday at a boarding house in Columbus, Ohio, that killed five persons and critically injured another, investigators said.

The 2 1/2 story house, across the street from a city fire station, was heavily damaged.

Three residents escaped, including a 37-year-old woman who was hospitalized in critical condition, officials said.

Investigators said it appeared someone dropped a cigarette into a chair or fell asleep while smoking.



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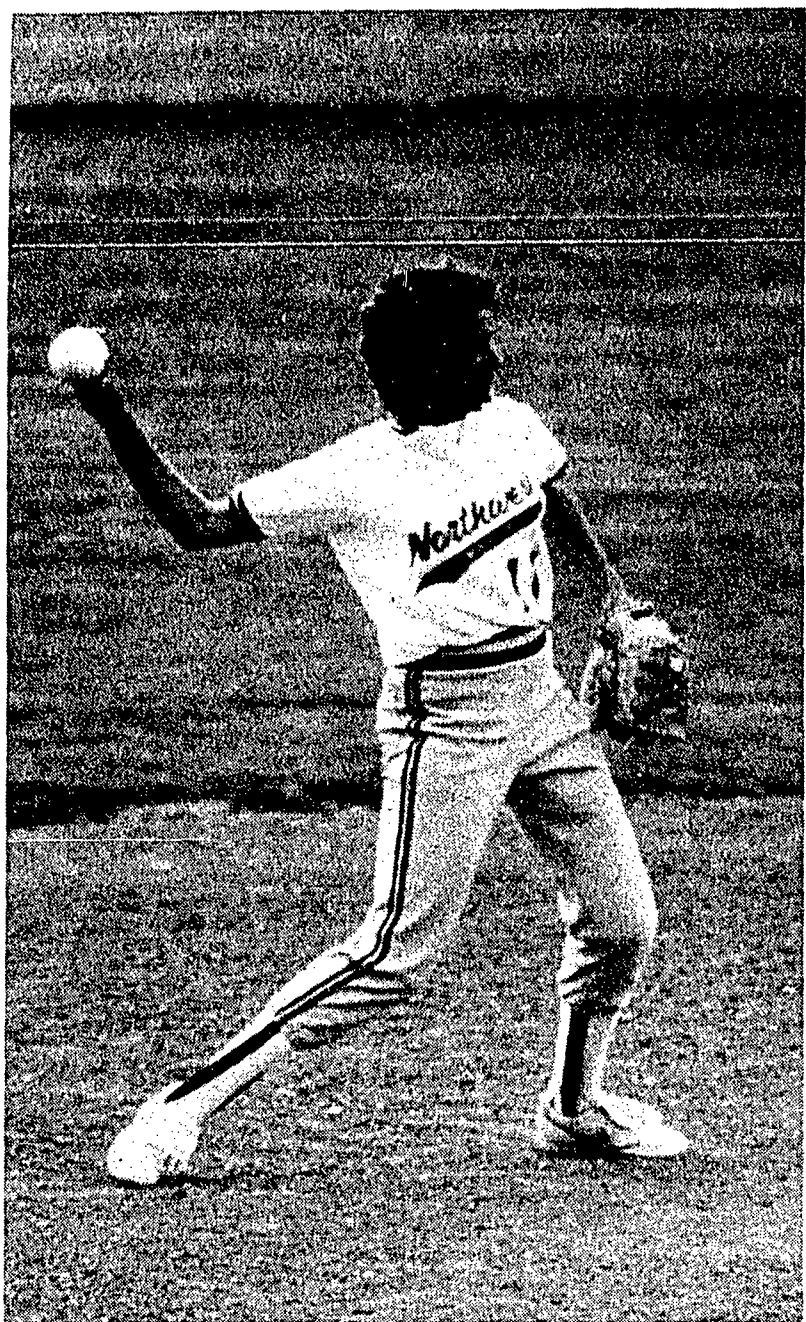
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READY, AIM, FIRE!—Going for a double play, Lisa Kenkel, prepares a throw to second in a game last season. Kenkel is starting shortstop in softball as well as starting for the Bearkitten Basketball team. (Photo by Scott Jensen)

Kenkel earns double All-MIAA

by Dale Brown
staff writer

Go find any oddsmaker and ask him what the chances are of a high school athlete gaining a college scholarship for sports.

One-hundred-to-1 odds at best.

Then ask him the odds of a person making it in two sports, earning varsity letters and all-conference honors in both capacities.

Well, Northwest women's basketball and softball player Lisa Kenkel has the oddsmakers crying all the way to the bank as she has accomplished just that in her two-and-half years at Northwest.

In her two seasons with the softball squad, Kenkel has earned All-Conference first team honors as well as All-Central Region honors.

As a basketball player, Kenkel garnered All-Conference honorable mention honors last season and will be looking to improve upon that at the end of the year's schedule.

"She is every aspect of the word hustle," Bearkitten basketball Coach Wayne Winstead said. "She sets an example on the floor with her

desire and is always competitive."

Kenkel came to Northwest from Harlan High School in Iowa. Her senior year she averaged over 30 points per game on the court and was selected Southwest Iowa Player of the Year.

In softball, Kenkel earned all-state second team honors while batting .330.

"I was recruited by a lot of smaller colleges and junior colleges," Kenkel said. "But after my visit to Northwest I knew that this is where I belonged. The people here were really nice and treated me like a person and not just another number. To me, that was important."

Winstead had a chance to look at Kenkel earlier in her athletic career when the future Bearkitten cager attended the Northwest summer basketball camp. Even then the interest was strong.

"Their coach up there had told me that he had a pretty good girl on his hands," Winstead said. "We got a chance to look at her at our summer camps and even with the six-man game they play in Iowa she looked promising."

Whatever worries Winstead may have had about Kenkel

switching from the six-man game to NCAA competition quickly vanished as she became a solid player for the Bearkittens, starting 21 of the 28 games.

Although she averaged only 6.8 points a game during her freshman season, Kenkel gained valuable playing experience.

"I didn't think switching from six-man to here was that hard to do," Kenkel said. "I had to get my defensive skills down on the court. By now I think I've grown mentally into the game. I know my points and rebounds aren't changing a lot, but I'm playing smarter now."

Kenkel now averages 11.2 points a contest and has led the Kittens in scoring on four different occasions, including a high-game of 26 in an 86-72 victory over Pittsburg State Jan. 12. Along with her scoring, Kenkel is also a team leader from the three-point line, hitting over 30 shots from the mark this season.

Perhaps Kenkel's best abilities lie on the softball diamond as her statistics reflect. During the 1990 season, Kenkel had a .404 batting average as well as .916 fielding percentage from her shortstop



Lisa Kenkel

position.

"I'd like to be able to hit that way again this season," Kenkel said. "I had good concentration last year and I hope we can play well as a team this year."

Gayla Eckoff, softball coach, said she was also glad to see Kenkel come to Northwest.

"We played just as much in recruiting as basketball," Eckoff said. "She is a good leader on the field and could probably play Division I depending on the coaching and program. I can see her keep improving as she keeps playing."

Cagers drop ninth straight road game

by Joe Bowersox
sports editor

The Northwest Missouri State men's basketball team dropped their ninth road loss this season to a very balanced and overpowering 9th-ranked Central Missouri State team, which extended its record to 21-2.

The Bearcats have lost eight of their last nine and are tied for 10th in the MIAA conference.

Northwest led early by four, but the Mules charged past the 'Cats enroute to a 96-78 victory. Northwest trailed by as many as 23 in the first-half.

"We started out pumped up, and the kids were really fired up about playing, but the mental mistakes really got to us," Northwest Coach Steve Tappmeyer said.

Central expanded their 56-39 halftime lead to 73-47 with 11:20 remaining to play. Northwest used runs of 10-0 and 6-0 to climb back into the game, but the 'Cats

could only manage to get within 13 points.

Central's main weapons, LaKeith Humphrey and Armando Becker, proved to be more than Northwest could handle.

Humphrey scored 24 points, including three 3-pointers and 5 assists. Becker collected 19 points and 7 rebounds.

"They're just top notch players," Tappmeyer said. "We didn't have any one person that can handle Becker."

Bearcat junior forward Keith Wilborn poured in his Northwest career-high 22 points in a reserve role.

"Keith Wilborn is getting a little more confidence offensively," Tappmeyer said. "He did some good things."

Bearcat Larry Brown added 17 points and pulled down 5 rebounds. Guard Kevin Shelvin chipped in 10 points, including 4 assists and 8-8 shooting from the

foul line.

"On the stat sheet, we didn't have anybody really stand out, other than Wilborn with a real good night," Tappmeyer said.

"We've got a lot of guys on our team, quite honestly, that aren't playing up to their potential, and they're not doing it on purpose it's just a thing that they never got their confidence," Tappmeyer said.

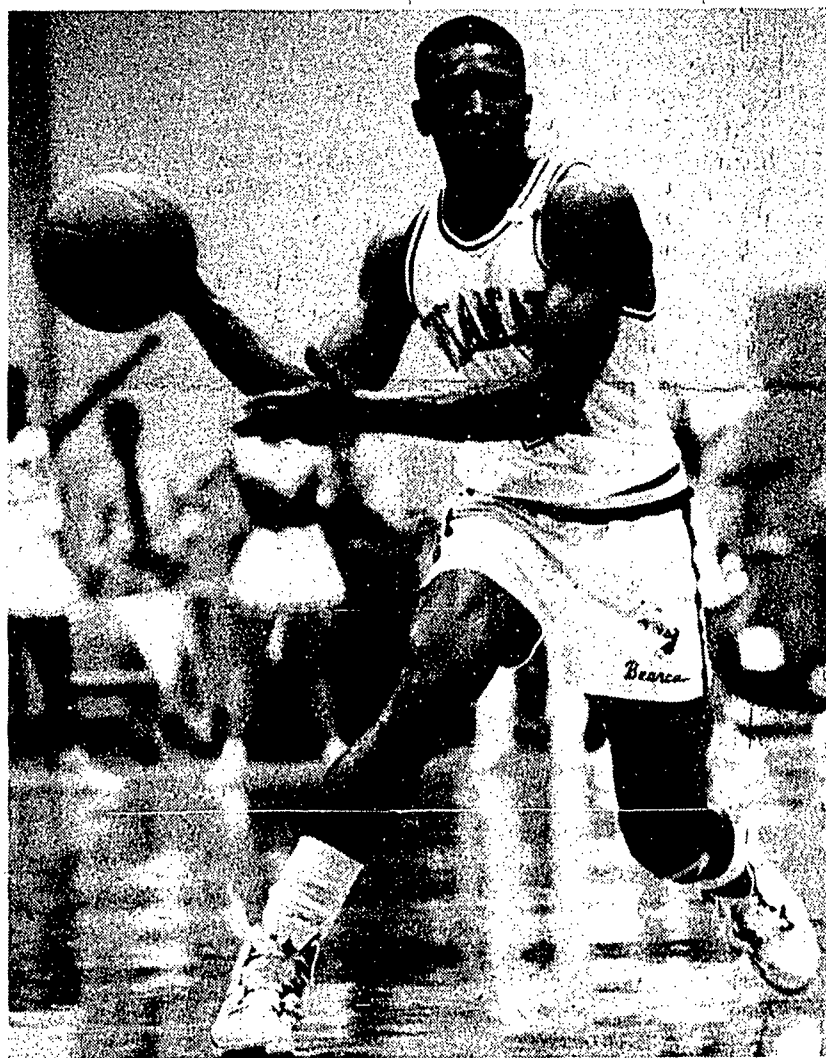
Central 'outrebounded' the Bearcats, 46-25, and also shot 54 percent from the field, while Northwest shot 41 percent.

"I think for our team to be able to have a chance to beat them, then we have to play a near perfect game, and we didn't come close," Tappmeyer said.

"Right now, we're a team playing with zero confidence, but a lot of teams would have chucked it in by now, but I think our kids are still working hard," Tappmeyer said.

MEN'S MIAA	
Basketball standings:	
SW Baptist	12-0
Central	10-2
Mo. Western	10-2
UMSL	9-3
Southeast	8-4
Washburn	7-5
Southern	5-7
Mo. Rolla	4-8
Northeast	3-9
Northwest	2-10
Pitt State	2-10
Lincoln	0-12

WHO WANTS IT?—Looking for an open team member, Northwest guard Kevin Shelvin prepares to pass. The Bearcats lost last week against Missouri Western, which is ranked 3rd in the MIAA. (Photo by Scott Jensen)



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Jennies buck 'Kittens, 76-73

by Kenrick Sealy
staff writer

The Northwest Missouri Bearkittens came up three points short in their 76-73 loss to the Central Missouri State Jennies in Warrensburg, Mo., on Saturday night, as their overall record fell to 18-7 this season.

The loss puts the 'Kittens in a three-way tie for fourth place between Pittsburg State and Missouri-Rolla in the MIAA conference.

"Our kids played one of our better games of the season even though we lost," Bearkittens' Coach Wayne Winstead said.

The 'Kittens utilized their half-court offense effectively (45 percent from the field in the first half) and forced the Jennies to turnover the ball 15 times on the offensive end, helping Northwest to open up a 8-0 and 6-0 surge to take a 24-15 lead with 9:12 minutes remaining in the first half.

A timeout helped Central regain their composure, and they retaliated with 10 straight points to get back into the game.

Northwest Senior Colleen White, playing an excellent game and scoring the team's last seven points of the half, gave the Bearkittens a 39-35 intermission lead.

Making an 18-2 run during the first seven minutes of the second half, the Jennies went ahead 53-41 and never relinquished the lead again.

The 'Kittens showed great tenacity, trailing 74-64 with 2:13 left, and got a pair of free throws from Chris Swanson and baskets from Colleen White and Lisa Kenkel to close the gap to 74-70 with 18 seconds left in the game.

However, the 'Kittens were then forced to foul, and Central's Gina Blanks hit both free throws

WOMEN'S MIAA

Basketball standings:

Central	13-1
Southeast	12-2
Washburn	11-3
Northwest	8-6
Mo. Rolla	8-6
Pitt State	8-6
Northeast	7-7
UMSL	5-9
Southern	4-10
Mo. Western	4-10
SW Baptist	3-11
Lincoln	1-13

with 12 seconds before the buzzer to extend the game for the Jennies, despite a 3-pt. basket by Kenkel with four seconds remaining. Central was able to stave off the Bearkittens from claiming the narrow victory.

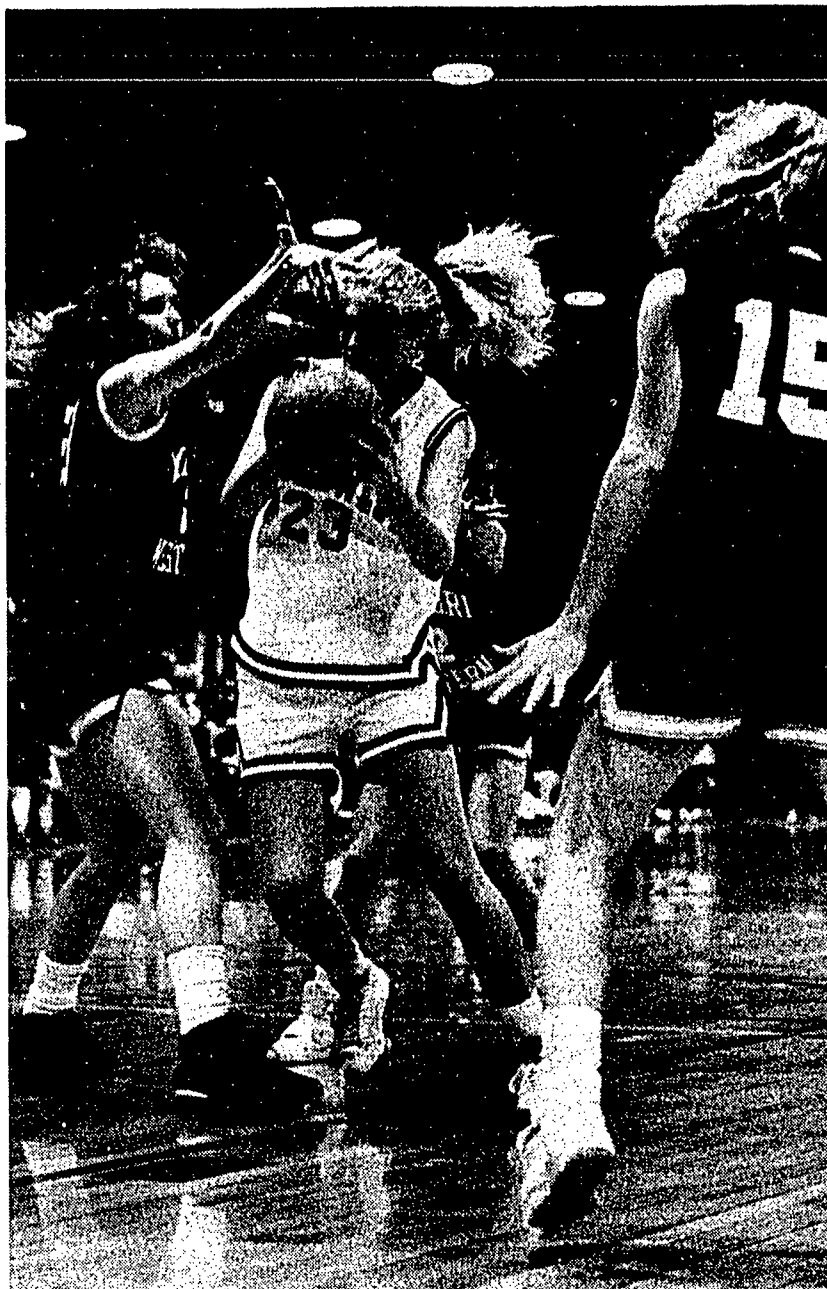
Northwest's high scorers were Colleen White who had a career-high 28 points (16 in the first half), 12 rebounds and 4 assists.

"I got tired of waiting. A lot of it had to do with motivation," White said. "All we had to do is gain respect."

Guard Lisa Kenkel scored 15 points (3-5 from the 3-point range), while forwards Danae Wagner and Chris Swanson chipped in 12 and 10 points respectively.

Central's high scorers were forward Dawn Thomas who had hot hands with 19 points, 6 rebounds; Tracie Morris, 18 points and a game high 13 rebounds; and Karen Chalupny 16 points, 7 rebounds.

Coach Winstead thought that his team played well despite their loss.



ADVANCING TRAFFIC—Driving into the lane, Danae Wagner is met by two Missouri Western defenders last Saturday night. After defeating Missouri Western, Wagner received an award for scoring 1000 points in her career. (Photo by Scott Jensen)

"We played tough defense. Our goal was to be patient on offense, look for the open persons and continue to play tough defense," Winstead said.

"The toughest place to win is at Central. Anytime we go there

it's always a tough game," Kenkel said.

The Bearkittens outscored the Jennies from the field (40 percent, 31-75, to 39 percent, 24-61), but Central was 24-31 from the line. Northwest was 8-12 from the line.

Over the pickle barrel



by Joe Bowersox
Sports Editor

The Olympics are just around the corner, and talks of one of the greatest basketball teams ever assembled will be the highlight in 1992. Barcelona will be treated to the finest basketball players in the world, and it's not UNLV.

The likes of Charles Barkley, Michael Jordan, Magic Johnson and Patrick Ewing will suit up for the first time. And if that's not enough excitement in itself, the United States will finally send a coach that is not tailoring a team to fit his favorite style of play.

In 1988, John Thompson tried the theory of defense. Thompson picked the quickest players he could find, but defense wasn't enough in '88.

We should have known that something was wrong with that team because Alonzo Mourning was one of the final men cut and he was just a senior in high school.

It should be added that Mourning played for Thompson the following year at Georgetown. Hey, that's a pretty good summer camp for your prize recruit.

Give me a break, John. That team wasn't the best. It's hard to believe that Steve Kerr and B.J. Armstrong couldn't make the team, but a high school senior is a couple players short.

Those problems are behind us now because Chuck Daly is the answer to the problem.

His coaching talents have been proven in Detroit, and his talent will have no limits.

The reserves could beat the starters. If this team loses, the United States should never enter another team because the embarrassment would be too much.

Since the team gets to carry 12 players, the talent level should overflow the gymnasium. Ewing, David Robinson and Karl Malone underneath. Jordan and Magic at the guards. Impressive.

The big question is if any college players will make the team. Shaquille O'Neal from LSU has a legitimate chance, but everyone else should save their time.

Hey, where's Larry Bird? Bird has all the tools to be a star in international competition. Big forwards that can shoot always seem to have an advantage in the Olympics. Bird would chew-up the three-point line, which is 3'3" closer than the NBA's.

Bird may be too old by the time the Olympics roll around, but they should put him on the team to show the world what the greatest player to ever play looks like.

Do these caliber of athletes take the fun and spirit out of the Olympics? Do these type of athletes make the Olympics a professional venture? Absolutely not.

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CHALK talk

Blades coach earns suspension

The Kansas City Blades Coach Doug Soetaert has been suspended for three games as a result of throwing two garbage cans and several hockey sticks on the Kemper Arena ice Sunday. He did so in protest of the refereeing of an 8-4 loss to Peroria.

He has also been fined an undisclosed amount for the incident. Assistant coach Ken Morrow will run the team in the meantime.

Virginia Slims tourney banned

An anti-smoking group filed suit in Washington seeking to bar the Virginia Slims women's tennis tournament from a national park, saying the facility should not be used as a showcase for the promotion of the tobacco use.

The Virginia Slims of Washington is scheduled for Aug. 19-24 at the tennis center in Rock Creek National Park. This year's tournament is the first scheduled to be held in the national park, although Washington has been the site of the tournament the last decade.

Five personal records for indoor teams Onuaguluchi leads Bearcats with provisional qualifying throw

by Bill Hackett
staff writer

Northwest Bearcat and Bearkitten track team fared well at the Missouri All-Comers Meet this past weekend.

The event was a meet of personal bests as several Bearcats broke their previous records. 'Cat competitors Ken Onuaguluchi, Lee Erickson, Kevin Spalti and Ryan Middleton all set new personal bests as did the mile relay team of Jason Agee, Ron Perkins, Kevin Spalti and Craig Grove.

"This was the first time we were really in a race, all of us competed hard, and it was nice to place high," Agee said. "Hopefully we can carry the momentum into the conference meet next week."

Onuaguluchi led the Bearcats with a provisional qualifying shot put throw of 52'3/4". Provisional qualifying means the athlete has a very good chance of going to nationals.

Erickson pole vaulted a season

high 15' and Spalti ran the 600 yard run in 1:16.54 which was also a season high.

Both the mile relay team and individual mile runner Middleton turned in personal highs. The relay team finished the mile in 3:27.88 while Middleton turned in a time of 4:24.

The Bearkittens had two people place in the meet. Jennifer Holdiman and Lenette Affurt placed in the shot put. Holdiman captured fourth and Affurt took seventh.

"The women were a little weak at this meet," Assistant Coach Mike Robbins said. "I think one of the reasons we didn't place very many people was because we were hampered by injuries and we couldn't take all the girls to the meet."

The 'Cats and 'Kittens travel to Warrensburg for the conference championship Sunday.

The men will be relying on athletes such as Robb Finegan, Kenrick Sealy and Steve Anderson to lead the way.



FASTER THAN A SPEEDING BULLET—In preparation for the Indoor Track Championships, Kevin Spalti sprints around the corner at Tuesday's indoor track practice. Spalti and the rest of the team will compete Saturday in Warrensburg. (Photo by Scott Jensen)

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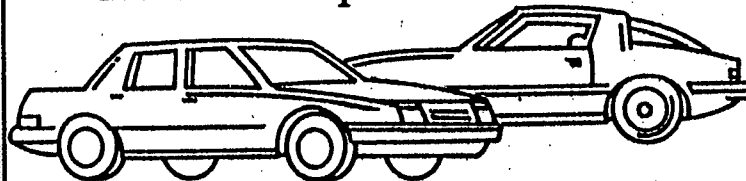
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Operation Desert Storm

WAR in the Gulf

UPDATE

Despite proposal, ground war looms

by Marsha Hoffman
Staff Writer

Despite a Soviet peace plan, 35 days into the Persian Gulf War, the allies wait at the brink for the ground war to start.

President George Bush will review the proposal, but according to Bush's press secretary, Marlin Fitzwater, all hope of forcing Iraq to leave Kuwait was "in the conflict in the air and on the ground."

Fitzwater added the Soviet Union had only asked the U.S. to refrain from commenting on the proposal and they had not requested the United States to delay a possible ground assault while Iraq considered the peace plan.

"There was no request for us to do anything with regard to the ground war while this is being considered, and there's no change," he said.

As the U.S. draws nearer to the

ground war, Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf, the U.S. commander of Operation Desert Storm, said Iraqi forces are near collapse due to allied air strikes.

Schwarzkopf said Iraq is losing almost two battalions of tanks a day to allied air strikes, which he said was an attrition rate no army can survive.

"Iraq's military is hurting and hurting very badly," Schwarzkopf said.

"Our assessment of them is that they are on the verge of collapse."

He added that Saddam Hussein's military was overrated in the first place, and in reference to the scud missile, Schwarzkopf said they were so inaccurate he did not even bother to get out of the shower during the last missile attack on Riyadh.

The oil slick in the Persian Gulf is much smaller than originally feared, and allied attacks on Iraqi forces are credited with caus-

ing about 30 percent of the spill, according to Saudi officials.

The original assessment of 11 million barrels has been lowered to 1.5 million, which is still a huge amount of oil, according to Abdullah Dabbagh, director of research at the University of Petroleum and Minerals.

Earlier, President Bush had condemned Saddam Hussein for 'environmental terrorism' after it was reported Iraq was responsible for the entire spill.

In other war news, American intelligence analysts have been denied access to Iraqi prisoners of war because the Saudi military considers them guests. However, the Saudis are allowing the Americans to submit written questions for the soldiers, which are then asked by Saudi interrogators.

"In order to answer the question the intelligence system has given me to answer, it is best if you have direct access," a senior

U.S. Army officer said on condition of anonymity. But "the way the relationships are structured now ... we're not permitted access by the Saudis."

As the question of whether the U.S. was in fact targeting civilians remained unanswered, Pentagon officials said they have proof Iraq deliberately damaged a mosque to make it look as if it had been hit by allied planes during an air raid.

Using sketches of satellite images and an aerial reconnaissance photo, military officials said the mosque, located in the southern port city of Basra, appeared to have been partly dismantled by Iraqi demolition crews.

As all sides consider the Soviet peace proposal, the allies sit poised for a ground attack that could end the war easily if Iraqi forces fall apart.

-Omaha World-Herald and Kansas City Star

Colleges swamped by media

Courtesy of College Press Service

The war has created a media boom for college professors. They are being interviewed by reporters seemingly all the time.

During the first seven days of war, for example, University of Louisville History Dept. Chairman Justin McCarthy -- who specializes in the history of the Middle East -- claims to have been interviewed by reporters from "at least 12" local television and radio stations.

"We do get inundated with calls" from reporters seeking professors to interview about the war, noted Anne Jones of Georgetown University's public relations department.

"We've had some calls for Iraqi, Kuwaiti and Israeli students," added Scott Edwards, senior publicist for Boston University.

The American media's appetite for talking to anyone who might know anything about the war in the Persian Gulf has proven to be massive, the campus publicists report.

The onslaught of requests to interview professors, however, is not entirely unprovoked.

Hundreds of campuses publish directories of professors and administrators listed as "experts" in their various fields.

The University of Connecticut, for instance, offers someone to comment on the horrors of chemical and biological weapons.

The University of Wisconsin-Madison offers professors to talk to reporters about the effects of war on Arab students in the U.S. and on archaeologically precious sites in the Mideast.

Still other schools like Princeton and the University of Akron, among others, reacted to the outbreak of hostilities by sending media outlets names of professors willing to comment about it.

While many campus publicists disavow the notion they are trying to gain publicity for their schools, most take care to avoid hooking reporters up to professors who, regardless of their knowledge or expertise, may be uncomfortable in front of a camera.

"When people are interviewed on TV they have to have charisma to attract an audience," noted Georgetown's Jones.

They also "have to be willing talk," she conceded.

Students, especially those who are foreign-born, may be less willing to talk than professors, Boston's Edwards said.

"Some (students) are helpful (to reporters) and others are a bit reluctant" to talk, he said. He added that BU Iraqi students have been particularly reticent.

Campus residents with less to lose than Iraqi students, however, generally have been happy to be interviewed.

"It's an important part of the job," historian McCarthy explained.

Intense media demands can make it hard for professors to balance their new celebrity with their other duties.

"It takes time away from everything: classes, research and family," McCarthy said.

While the interview may take only 10 minutes, McCarthy spends a lot of time keeping abreast of the latest news.

"You can't say Saddam Hussein's been in power for either years when it's really been 10," McCarthy said.

Yet at least one professorial expert observer wonders if it isn't a mistake to consider professors as expert observers.

"It's silly for anyone to call himself an expert," said Raymond Anderson, a former New York Times correspondent who now is a journalism professor at the University of Wisconsin-Madison (UW).

In a release sent to reporters and editors, UW listed Anderson himself as an expert observer of war coverage.

"I generally didn't turn to professors" when working as a reporter, Anderson said, adding professors are often "behind the times" in their selected fields of study.

However, Anderson doesn't mind answering questions.

"I think it's my obligation. Somebody has to respond," he said.

Students express opinions of gulf media

What do you think of gulf media coverage?

"I think the media covers too much. They're bombarding us with information. I mean it's good to inform us, but now anytime anything goes up, they report it. To us it's not real. I think what they report is accurate, but it just gets so tiring."

-Lisa Boxley, sophomore biology major, Princeton, Mo.

"There's too much; we see it all the time. Some of the information isn't that important. If something important happens they should try to help us understand it."

-Leslie Fowler, sophomore undecided, Unionville, Mo.

"I don't listen or read about it much because I really don't want to hear about it. It's too depressing. They make it too personal; they pinpoint certain subjects like blowing up civilian buildings and keep showing it over and over. That's bad coverage. Most of it is probably accurate but they've put so much emotion into it, it ruins the coverage."

-Daryl Owens, sophomore agri-business major, Hopkins, Mo.

"I think the coverage is good considering their limitations. But I think the media is overstepping their bounds with their questions, it really upsets me. Before a meeting they're told straight out what can be discussed and what can't. I'm in it more personally though, because my guy's over there. He's active, lifetime."

-Julie Ewer, senior marketing major, Beatrice, Neb.



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NASSAU personnel have had the opportunity to call home twice since departure in August, according to Seitz.

"There was good, intense coverage the first week. Now it's all outdated, they've just sort of dropped off. Now the news, except CNN, seems to be trying to make it entertaining instead of just telling us what has happened. They seem to be trying to keep viewers by entertaining."

-Jon Blomquist, junior marketing major, Adel, Iowa

"There's too much repeating; there's coverage every hour. I believe there's only one reporter left over there, so they're limited. You can't tell how much is true."

-Andrea Payne, sophomore history major, DeSoto, Iowa

"The coverage is about as good as you can get. You could turn to almost any channel and find out what's going on. It's good to see people in the gulf being interviewed and what's actually going on, not just reports. They're as accurate as they can be, I mean, it's a war -- they can't tell us everything. They show press conferences and they can't answer all the questions."

-Brian Becker, freshman economics major, Norwalk, Iowa

"I think there are lies in it. They don't tell the whole story. It's been, what, four weeks now and not many casualties. I do not think that's right. And they repeat the same things again and again. I think there should be more real information."

-Mirielle Jean-Francois, freshman pharmacy major, Cap-haitien, Haiti

"Their presenting it [the war] favorably. There's more positive than negative news, even though I think there's a lot of bad things going on. I think the facts they're giving us are true, they're just not giving us all the information. They over do it; everytime you turn on TV, there's something about the war."

-Kevin Koon, freshman undecided major, Newton, Iowa

"It's great. I have a lot of friends over there. Sometimes it gets overwhelming, like when they talk to families -- that should be left alone. I mean it's not a football game. It's censored but what we're getting is pretty good. I don't believe everything, like the stuff they were putting out about the milk factory and us bombing it."

-Greg Bednar, freshman business major, Platte City, Mo.

"It seems like they're doing a good job, although it looks like some of them are trying to get a big name for after the war."

-Brad Collins, junior physical education major, Maryville, Mo.

"It's been great coverage, other than Iraq's censorship. Of course they can't tell us everything or it would jeopardize the President's plans. There's not too much news about it. I know at first it was 24 hours a day but now I think we get what we need. I work with the radio station and the stuff that's been coming to us over the AP wire has been getting on TV, so I'd say it's pretty accurate."

-John Yates, Jr., senior broadcasting major, Davenport, Iowa

War Newsbriefs

Red Cross seeks \$30 million in aid

(Kansas City Star) WASHINGTON -- The American Red Cross on Tuesday began a \$30 million campaign to support humanitarian efforts for U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf, their families and foreign victims of the conflict.

The campaign is the largest such effort the organization has undertaken since World War II, when it sponsored a campaign to raise \$50 million, American Red Cross President Elizabeth H. Dole said.

Protester who died is identified

(Kansas City Star) BOSTON -- A man who burned himself to death in Amherst, Mass., in an apparent protest against the Persian Gulf war was identified Tuesday as Gregory D. Levey, 30, son of Boston Globe restaurant critic Robert Levey and stepson of Globe columnist Ellen Goodman.

Authorities said Levey acted alone when he set himself ablaze Monday afternoon in a protest that horrified onlookers in the center of Amherst.

The elder Levey had no public statement Tuesday, nor did Goodman, who has questioned the wisdom of U.S. involvement in the Persian Gulf region through her nationally syndicated columns.

U.S. won't rebuild Iraq, Bush says

(Kansas City Star) WASHINGTON -- U.S. taxpayers cannot be expected to pay for the postwar rebuilding of Iraqi bridges, power lines and buildings destroyed by allied bombs, President Bush told congressional leaders Tuesday.

"We are not about to pay to rebuild Iraq," Bush told the group, according to notes taken by House Minority Leader Robert Michel, an Illinois Republican.

Amphibious landing to be largest since Korea

(St. Joseph News-Press/Gazette) WASHINGTON -- An amphibious landing on the oil-stained shores of Kuwait would be the largest such undertaking since Gen. Douglas MacArthur ordered 40,000 troops into action at Inchon harbor in Korea 40 years ago.

Amphibious warfare, attacking from the sea, is a weapon honed on the seawalls of Inchon, the bullet-torn coral of the Pacific and the gale-lashed rocks of Normandy.

Dress rehearsals for a seaborne invasion of Kuwait have been under way for months on the beaches of friendly nations nearby. A task force of about 17,000 Marines is poised on ships in the Persian Gulf, backed by a flotilla of support vessels.

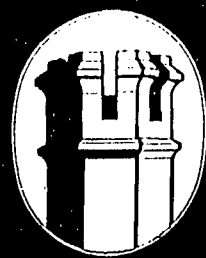
The operation they have been practicing requires precision. It uses bombing runs and battleship guns to beat up targets on shore, landing craft to bring in troops, helicopter gunships and low-flying jets to support them, special equipment to clear away mines and obstacles, and tanks, armored vehicles and howitzers to drive the attack home.

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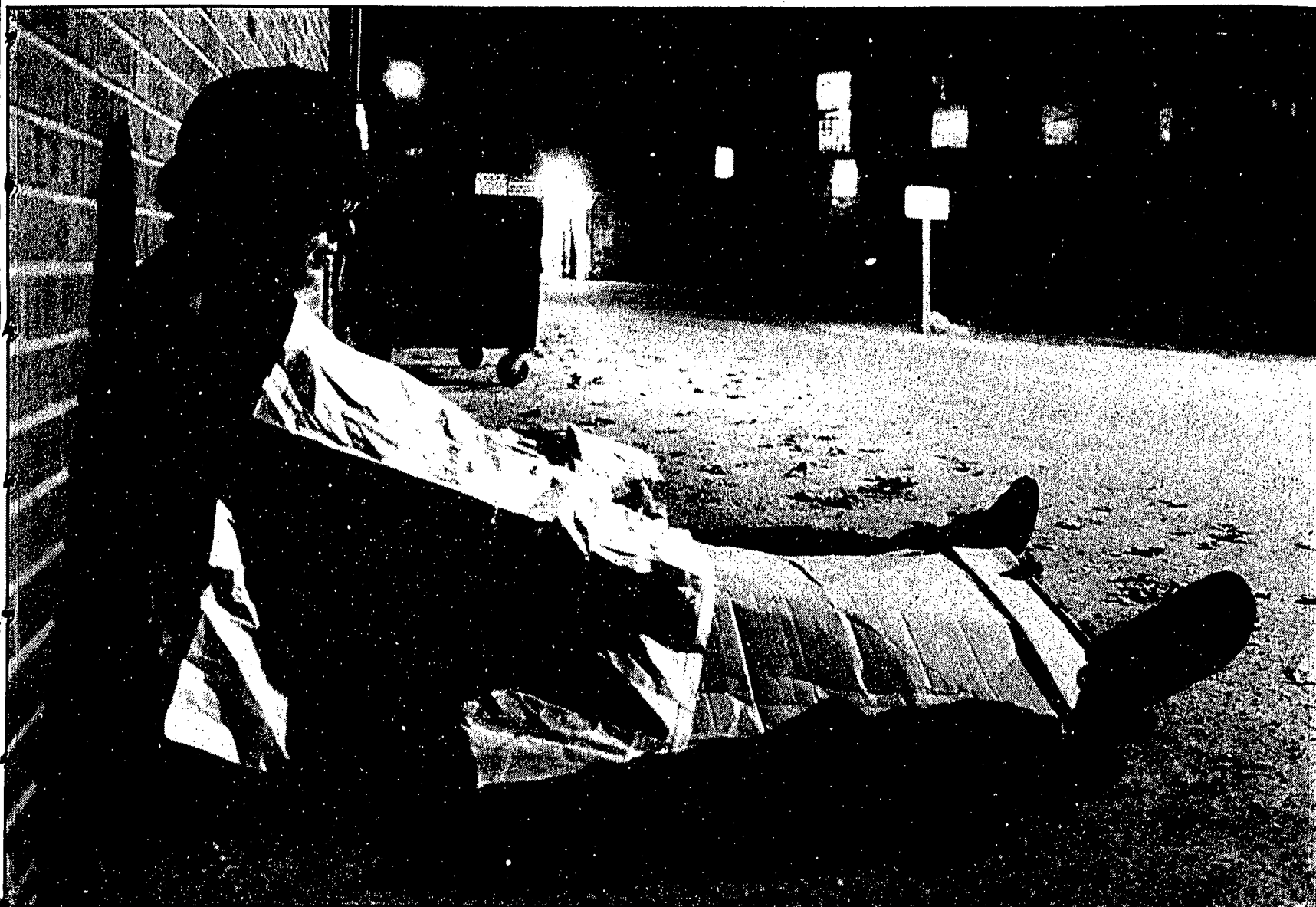
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CAMPUS LIFE



*What it
is like
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On the Street

A reporter's view on one of America's overlooked problems

by Gene Morris
Managing Editor

One simple event can sure change a person's perspective. Living in a dorm room might not be the most glamorous thing in the world, but it is certainly better than having no home at all.

I wandered from my dorm room last Saturday night to experience, to an extent, what it would be like to be homeless.

In my dorm room I had tough decisions like what to watch on television or what tapes to play on my stereo. All alone against the cruel, thrashing wind of the night, my thoughts were elsewhere.

I was trying to decide where the best place for me to sleep would be. It was a decision I had to make many times that evening, because as I soon found out, there was no such thing as a safe place to sleep.

I kept thinking how great it would be to go back to my dorm room and fall asleep, without a care in the world. I would fluff up the old pillow and pull the warm covers tight. It would be heaven compared to sleeping on the picnic bench by Colden Pond with my head resting against the bark of a tree.

It was like trying to sleep in an old wooden chair. My back was sore and my neck extremely stiff. If that wasn't bad enough, I knew I would have to get up and move around soon because I was beginning to lose the feeling in my legs. I was turning into a human ice cube and that Saturday night was one of the warmest all month.

The temperature was only one of the distractions I had to deal with trying to sleep outside. The noise outside was incredible. Everything from cars driving by to people walking across campus would wake me up.

I failed to hear these sounds in my dorm room, but now they were louder than ever. I would hear footsteps and wonder who might be coming. What would they think of me there all alone?

In my room I was a man, a writer, a student. I had everything to look forward to. That drastically changed when I found myself without a home

that night.

On that cruel evening I was alone and forgotten. I was like a sailboat on a windless sea. Frustration was all around me. Suddenly, for that brief moment in time, I had nothing. I was nothing more than another statistic.

I could run forever and not reach the finish line. There was no where for me to go, no place to be.

At one point, I saw a building checker who works for Campus Safety. I was sitting on the picnic bench by Colden Pond when his flashlight glared right at me.

I stayed right where I was. I didn't move at all. I could only wonder what he would do. I wondered what he would say to me, sitting there so early in the morning.

After what seemed like an eternity, he was gone. He didn't do or say anything to me. I heard more people coming shortly after that and decided it was time to move on to somewhere else.

I was afraid someone might be coming back in a few minutes to see what I was doing there. I didn't want to get blamed for doing something I wasn't doing. I really just wanted to be left alone.

I spent my time that evening going from one place to another. It was too cold to stay put for any length of time at all. I could only guess at how much I had walked that evening. Probably more than I had during most weeks of the semester.

I was afraid to go to sleep. What would be taken from me as I slept under the stars? What would be done to me as I lay there motionless?

I would hear a car coming and be disturbed by the headlights flashing across my face. Once being bothered by a car, I found myself looking for other places to stay. I knew I would only be there for a few minutes, until the cold breeze would force me to move onward again.

I knew I was going back to a nice warm room when I was finished working this story, but I also knew others were not so lucky. They would still be on the streets with no where to go.

During that lonely evening, I realized how lucky I was. I was not one of the thousands of homeless in the

United States. I had a warm place to stay and I had people who cared about me.

I looked around me and wondered. Why? How could America allow some of their citizens to live this way? How could all of the people around me sleep, knowing others were out on the streets?

The evening brought back memories that I had all but forgotten. It brought back a stroll I took in New Orleans last year, passing by several shops in the French Quarter. The shops had walkways filled by men and women covered with newspapers. It was a sad sight to see.

The difference from that scene to the rest of the French Quarter was astonishing. Just a few blocks away music could be heard. People were singing, drinking and generally having a good time. I still had to wonder about those who were left all alone on

the ground. What would happen to them?

It is easy to forget that there are people out there without a place to go, but they are there. Not only are they there, but they need our help.

It was for them that I had ventured from my comfortable dorm room that evening. I know I will never really know what it is like to be homeless, but I discovered enough to realize how dehumanizing it was.

While walking that night, I had the misfortune of disturbing some birds. I was scared half to death when the tree I was walking past erupted with noise. When I realized it was a bunch of birds I thought how ironic - even the birds had their own place to stay.

Leaving the homeless to fend for themselves on the streets is allowing them to live worse than the animals. Surely, they deserve more than that.

More than just numbers

The plight of the homeless

Facts compiled from *The Universal Almanac*, 1990 edition.

The sight of homeless people in America has become commonplace in virtually every community. According to "The Universal Almanac," the total number of homeless in America ranges from 50,000 to 3 million. (The numbers depends on what group is doing the counting.)

According to a study done by the National Alliance to End Homelessness, 735,000 people are without a home on any given night.

A 1988 U.S. Department of Education survey estimated there were 220,000 homeless school-age children, more than 65,000 do not attend school regularly.

Causes for Homelessness: The Universal Almanac cited three main patterns for homelessness. According to a 1988 study done by the Institute of Medicine the three patterns are temporary, episodic and chronic.

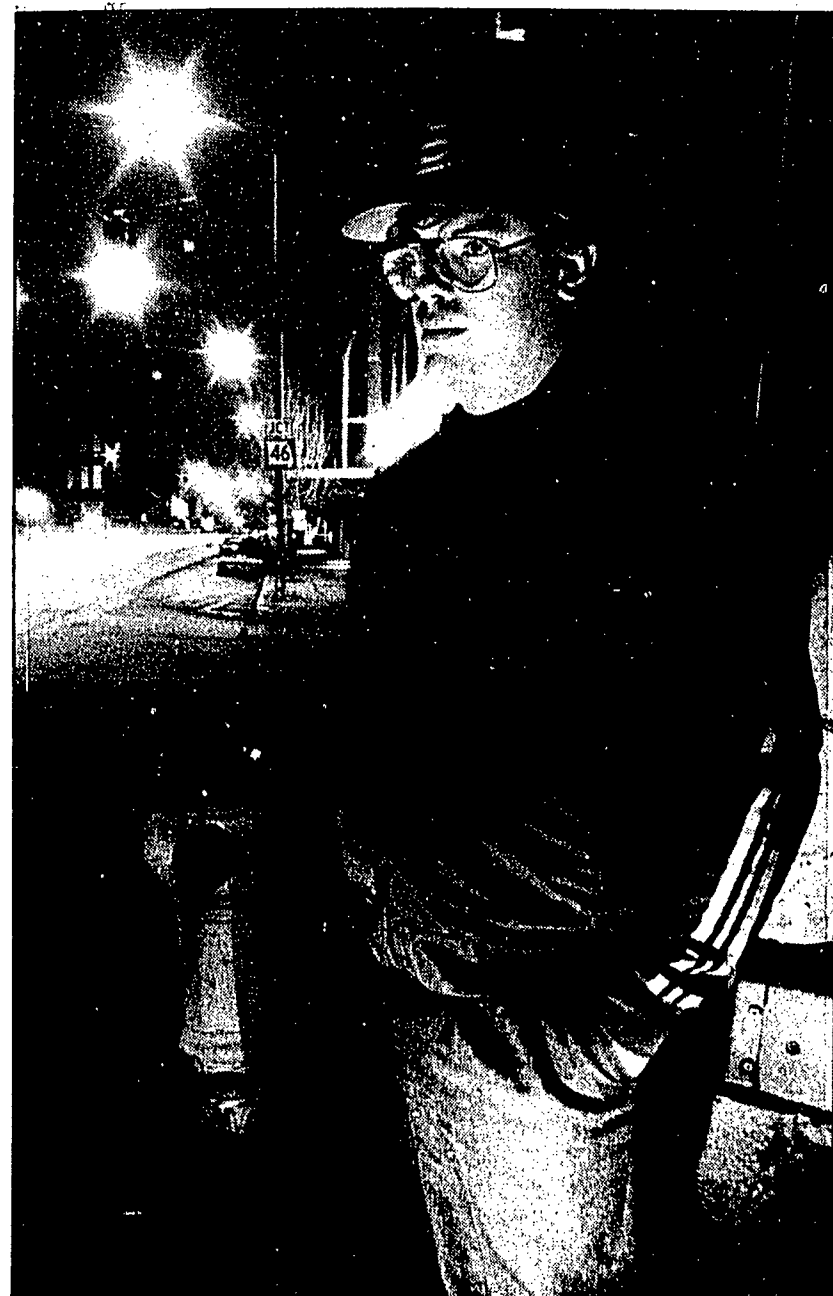
Homeless who are in the temporary category are those who have become so because of some natural or man-made disasters such as tornados or fires.

Episodically homeless people are often welfare recipients who run out of funds halfway through the month, as well as runaway or throwaway (children who are rejected by their parents) youths who move in and out of family situations.

Other people who would be considered to fall in this category would be abused wives and children who may move in with relatives or friends from time-to-time.

The chronically homeless, those who live on the streets for long periods of time, are more likely to suffer from substance abuse and mental illness.

Who are the Homeless: According to a survey done by the U.S. Conference of Mayors in 1988 the composition of 27 major cities' homeless population, on



STREETWISE—Top, Experiencing the plight of America's homeless by staying on the streets of Maryville for one night, Gene Morris tries to sleep in the drive behind Wells Hall using newspaper and cardboard for cover. (Photo Illustration by Don Carrick)

NIGHT WATCH—Above, Waiting for morning to come, Gene Morris stands on the corner of Fourth and Main. Morris wandered around downtown Maryville most of the night, finding it very hard to sleep on the cold city streets (Photo Illustration by Don Carrick)

average, was 49 percent single men; 34 percent members of families; 13 percent single women and five percent runaway and throwaway youths. Children, both in families and runaways, account for about 25 percent of the population. People considered mentally ill account for about 25 percent of the population and substance abusers account for 34 percent.

The survey also found 21 percent of homeless people are employed in full or part-time jobs and 26 percent are veterans.

Another study found the average age of single homeless men and women was between 34 and 37. Homeless adults are likely to have never been married and they usually do not have strong family ties.

Yakkety-yak, don't talk back

Everybody's got their own way of talkin'

Since the beginning of time words have been the essence of every man's soul. God created the world with just his voice, "Let there be light; and there was light."

Words not only create, they identify. When a person speaks, one can tell that person's political, economic and cultural standing.

Though man shall die, alone his words will stand through eternity.

by Charmla Thoren
Staff Writer

Like any language, the art of slang is an acquired skill. One needs to know what to say and how to say it. The teaching of slang begins with elementary children.

"My 10-year-old uses 'dweeb' to describe disagreeable people," said Dr. Carrol Fry, professor of English at Northwest.

Some parents get confused by the terms, but the tone of the child's voice may help to clarify it.

"My kids say 'No-dah', like I already know. I just hate it when they say that," said Ellen Pederson, circulation assistant at B.D. Owens library.

The circulation desk at the library is a good place to hear slang.

"I hear students at the counter talking," Davine Davis, reserve assistant said. "They'll say 'that pissed me off' or 'that's a crock.'"

Anyone who interacts with college students may hear conversations similar to these:

"My homies (friends) threw a def (really good) party last night and we all got totally wasted (drunk). But this morning I reversed gears (vomited) and had an Excederin fix (headache). Now I'm really hangin' (hungover)."

"Oh wa (no one cares)."

"Hey don't dis' (disrespect) me."

"Chill out (calm down) man."

"I'm gonna fly (I am mad)."

"What's up (what is wrong)?"

"My prof (professor) needs to get a real life (change his ways). He just bagged (ruined) my weekend. I've got a test on Monday."

"That be it (that is all)? No prob (that's okay). I took that class last year and saved the tests."

"Cool (great), man. Now I can just blow it off (forget it)."

"What a babe (good looking person)!"

"Yeah, she's sweet (very nice)."

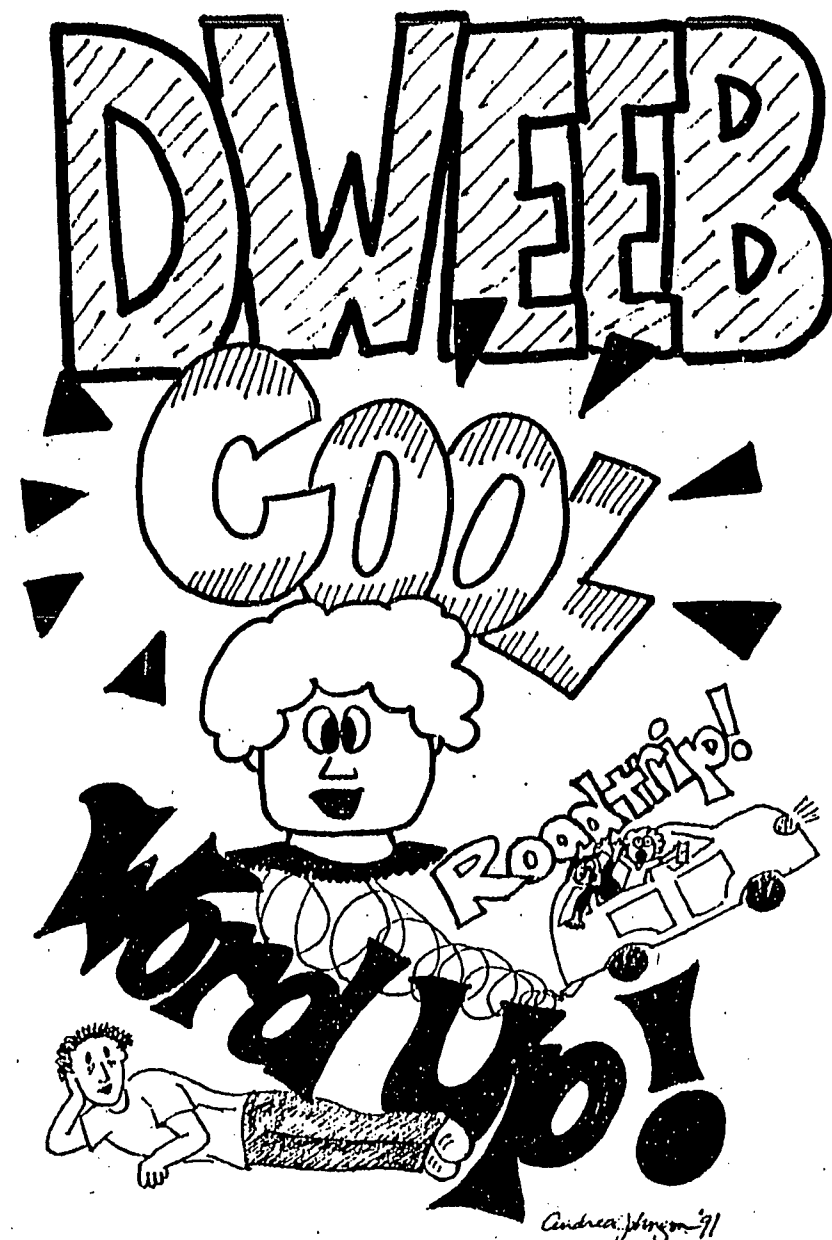
"I'd like to do the wild thing (have sex) with her."

"Get real."

Other terms frequently used are "road trippin'" (to drink and drive) not to be confused with "road surfin'" (to pull up a road sign and tie it to the bumper of a vehicle and have someone surf on the sign as the vehicle drives through town); "unit" (one who is so drunk he does not know what he is doing); and "Schlicky-do" (something really good).

If students are "clueless" (have no idea) about the new terms, one way to interpret the new language, according to an article in Newsweek Dec. 24, 1990, is to read Slang U, a dictionary of slang compiled by a teacher and her students from UCLA. Although new slang is invented every day, some words are familiar.

"Groovy never seemed to go away," Dr. Michael Allen, associate professor of English, said. "Now, it



is a term that is used sarcastically."

Other words that have changed meaning are nerd and geek. Sometimes these words are used in a complimentary way. It is not uncommon to walk across campus and hear students yell, "Hey, nerd, what's up?"

Slang is a language that one must keep up with. Unlike languages such as English and French, slang changes every day. Keep up with the language or you may slam (put down) your best friend, and that would be a real bummer (too bad).

INXS' album 'X',
Window into peoples' worlds

Music Review
by Pat Ley
KDLX Program Director

It is said Australia has one of the roughest music scenes in the world. A band trying to make it there has to play seedy bars with questionable owners. The people a musician meets in these places must leave an impression on him.

For INXS, this appears to be true. The characters in their songs tend to be down and out, one way or another. They may be rich or poor, but they all seem to be lost in some way. They may be runaways who live on the street, or they may be rich kids lost in drugs. But, there is also a romantic aspect to the characters. In INXS's songs, the people are also looking for a way out, either through their own courage or the love of another.

INXS's latest album, "X", is like their last release, "Kick", which was a collection of video-oriented songs, but without the blatant commercialism. Some of its songs are character studies of people who have been passed by the world around them. Songs like "Lately" (which would have fit well on "Listen Like Thieves") and "Who Pays the Price" speak of people who are looking at their life and don't like what they see. The sad part is they also don't know what to do about it.

Not all the songs on "X" deal

with such socially-minded topics. INXS also tackles the one problem all college students face some time—love—and all the difficulties that go along with it. Some songs deal with finding the perfect woman for the night ("Suicide Blonde") or for life ("Faith In Each Other"). Others deal with love falling apart ("Know the Difference"), longing for love lost ("By My Side") or love that will never be ("The Stairs").

Musically, "X" falls right in line with everything INXS has been writing since the "Listen Like Thieves" album. There are no surprises. It isn't especially adventurous like their early albums, but it's not a sure-thing money-maker either. It is more well-rounded than earlier efforts. There is still some obvious video material—songs that lack something without that visual aspect. But most of the songs are no-nonsense pop songs with a solid beat and bright melodies. Luckily for die-hard INXS fans, there is also a couple of songs reminiscent of the Shaboo Shoo era that have a rhythm and blues/funk edge to them.

Overall, the album is solid and safe. Musically, it is a compilation of everything INXS has done before. It doesn't stretch the band's talents or present anything new. Lyrically, it is the band's strongest yet. Unfortunately, the songs don't offer any solutions, and the stories aren't ever resolved. Then again, INXS never claimed to have any answers. They just try to present a window into other peoples' worlds.

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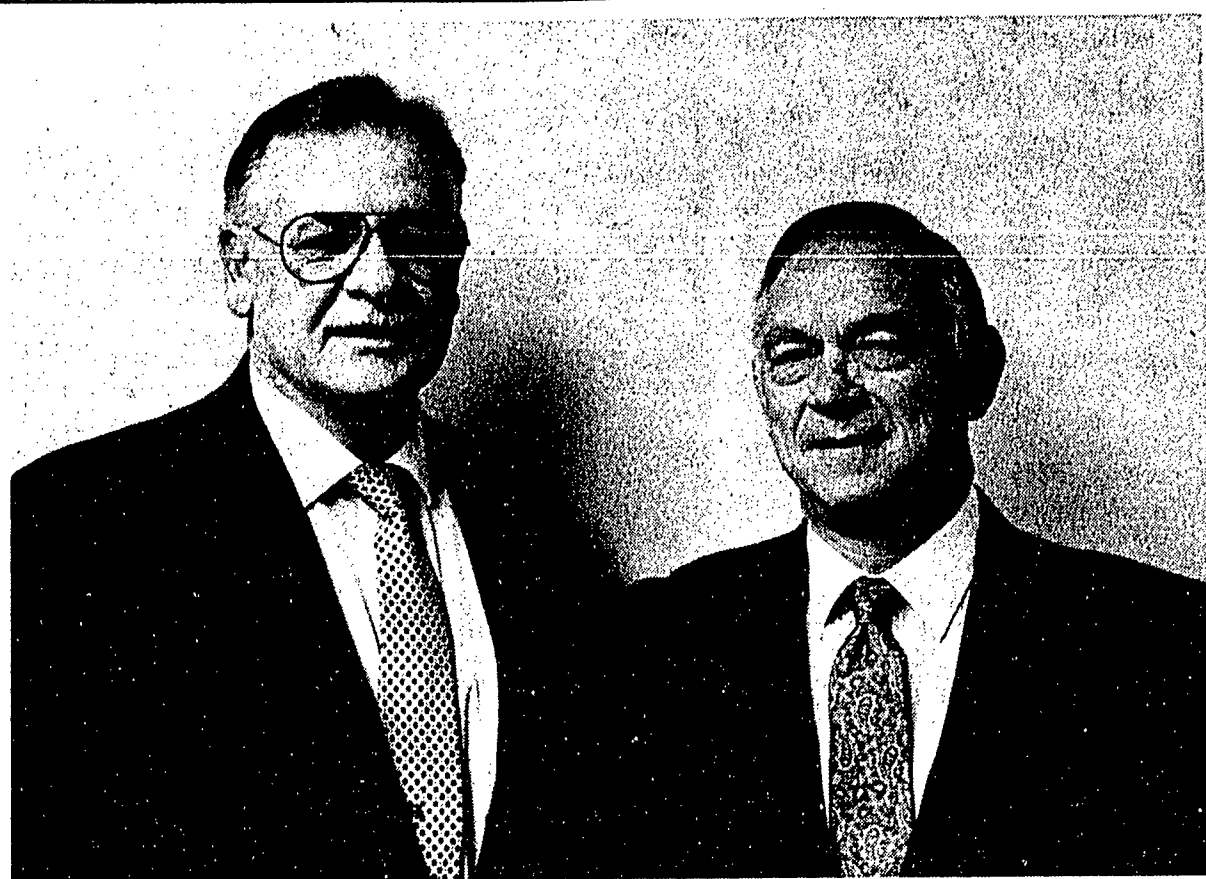
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REST AND RELAXATION—With almost 50 years of instruction between them, Mr. Gus Rischer and Dr. Stanley L. Wade face retirement from Northwest. (Photo by Don Carrick)

Two faculty members retire

by Jimmy Myers
Staff Writer

After 23 years at Northwest, Gus Rischer will retire Aug. 1, 1991. Rischer is the chairman of the psychology department and a member of the Athletic Council.

"I just want to be able to wake up some morning and decide what I want to do," Rischer said.

The recent death of Rischer's wife, Katie, has caused, what he said, a big void. "She was my wife and my best friend," he said.

Rischer added he will miss the students.

"They keep me young," he said. Rischer received his master's degree at California State in Los Angeles. Before coming to Northwest in 1968, Rischer was a high school administrator.

When Rischer arrived at Northwest, he saw the beginnings of a drug problem that had plagued California. He took evasive action and started a drug education program with Rollie Stadlman, who was then a broadcasting student at Northwest. Stadlman is now assistant to the president at Northwest. Stadlman also had Rischer for a psychology class that Stadlman said had "an immediate effect on my life. We talked about things that I had never talked about in a class before."

Virgil Albertini, an English professor at Northwest, writes in his book, "Towers of Northwest," "A fortunate turn for Northwest regarding America's drug culture came when Rischer was hired to teach psychology in 1968."

"I don't respect anybody more than Gus Rischer," Albertini said. Albertini has known Rischer

since 1968 and claims Rischer is one of the best administrators the psychology department has ever had.

"I'm going to miss Gus. The University will miss Gus," Albertini added.

Gordon Greene, a counselor at the student support service, has known Rischer since 1986. Rischer influenced Greene to seek a college education.

"He was kind and intelligent and very down to earth," Greene said. Greene has a master's degree in psychology and is considering seeking a doctorate. Greene said he owes a lot of his accomplishments to Rischer. He also said that if he were given an award, he hopes it would be for "being as good a person as Gus Rischer."

Sue Patterson has been working with Rischer since May 1984.

"I've been a secretary for 22 years and I've never had a boss as good as him. He's one of my best friends, and I hate to see him go," she said. "His leaving will make for quite a void."

Patterson described Rischer as a "family man." Rischer has three sons: Brad, who currently attends Northwest, and, until two years ago, played football. Patterson claims Rischer never missed a game, home or away. Rischer's other sons are Greg, who is a custodian at Colden Hall, and Neil, who is a dentist practicing in Maryville.

Dr. Rick Weymuth in the music department has known Rischer for eleven years. "He is an excellent colleague and teacher. He is professional in all his dealings. I wish more students could have a Gus Rischer," he said.

Weymuth added that Rischer has a genuine care for students and that he loves teaching.

Another person who will be retiring this year is Dr. Stanley L. Wade, professor of educational administration. His retirement will be effective Dec. 31, 1991.

Wade grew up in southeast Kansas and received a master's degree at Pittsburg, Kan. Later, Wade went to KU and received a doctorate in school administration.

Wade came to Northwest in 1967. One year later he was called to serve his country in Vietnam. After one year in Vietnam he came back to Northwest.

"The students didn't protest like they did at other colleges. It was much more docile," he said.

As Wade leaves Northwest, the country is once again at war. When asked about the difference in students' attitudes toward the war, Wade said, "Students seem to be much more patriotic."

Wade said he will miss the students most.

"I have had some really remarkable students over the past 24 years," he said. "They have been great to work with."

Wade has three children, all girls. Each went to Northwest and two are now teaching.

After retirement, Wade will move to Arkansas where he plans to "hit a little white ball around."

Dr. Michael Graham, faculty member at Northwest, has known Wade since 1985.

"He was my informal mentor. He was the one I relied on, he helped me a lot," Graham said. "The students really respect him. We'll miss him quite a bit. He is a fine person and a great teacher."

The bad news and good news on tax-return time



Dave Barry

Syndicated
Columnist

Tax-return time is coming, and I have bad news and good news:

— The bad news is, tax-return time is coming.

— The good news is, I figured out how to get rich from it.

My plan is to set up Bad Taxpayer Advice Centers. The way these would work is, taxpayers would pay a fee, and our trained personnel would give them ludicrously incorrect information, such as that they can deduct the full cost of any item whose name contains two or more vowels. (EXAMPLES: "Boat" is deductible. So is "cel." But not "phlegm" or "cat.")

With this system, you would enjoy the confidence of KNOWING you were getting incorrect advice, as opposed to when you ask any of the so-called tax experts, who are frequently wrong, but not always, thus leaving you with an insecure feeling. Although you can't really blame the experts. Nobody understands the U.S. Tax Code, a huge, complex, mutant organism kept in a heavily guarded basement section of the Internal Revenue Service building. "Don't go in there!" the guards warn people. "The Tax Code is in there!" At night they throw meat to it.

This is why most of us taxpayers wisely elect to fill in our tax forms with essentially random numbers. Oh, we'll be diligent at first. We'll get out the cardboard box where we keep our financial records, and we'll make an honest effort to give accurate answers to the earlier questions, such as "TAXPAYER NAME." But when we get to the tricky questions such as how much money we earned, how we spent it, and exactly how many children we have, we tend to develop looser standards, especially when we realize that our financial records consist of a 1982 receipt from Burger King and six increasingly desperate letters asking us to renew our subscription to Newsweek.

So when we get to the question

about how much, exactly, we spent on "child care," we are going to have some questions of our own, including: What about Captain Skyhawk? Captain Skyhawk is a Nintendo game that we purchased for our son for Christmas because we are bad parents who wish to rot his mind. It cost \$41.99, and we definitely view this as a child-care expense on rainy Saturday afternoons when our son has what sounds like 73 friends over, and if they weren't totally engrossed in an effort to get to the last stage of Captain Skyhawk, where you have to kill a giant eyeball that has tentacles, then they would probably be putting spiders into the toaster. So we say to ourselves, OK, that's \$41.99 worth of child care right there, plus mileage to and from the mall, plus psychiatric damage caused by looking for a parking space amidst hundreds of holiday-crazed drivers who are so desperate that not only would they park in a handicapped person's parking space, but some of them would park on an actual handicapped PERSON. Pretty soon we realize that just this one item amounts to THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS in tax-deductible child-care expenses, and if the IRS agents don't agree with our calculations, then let THEM clean the charred spiders out of our toaster.

But this probably will not be necessary because the IRS is always eager to accommodate us taxpayers, to the point where sometimes we could just scream with gratitude. A heart-warming example of this is an IRS document that I received from alert reader Rick Guldán. The IRS issued this document last November to explain the tax-filing procedure for people being held hostage in Iraq. I am not making this up. And it's a good thing I'm not, because when a person is taken hostage and realizes that he may never see his home and loved ones again, the first thing he says to himself is: "Uh-oh! How am I going to file my federal tax return?!"

In case you ever find yourself in this situation, here's a direct quote from the IRS document:

"Individuals who are detained by the Iraqi government probably will

be unable to file returns until their release...However, those who are detained in a foreign country against their will are allowed additional time to file their federal income tax returns. The due date for filing is extended until the 15th day of the third month following their release."

Whew. You talk about a big-hearted bunch! You talk about tying a yellow ribbon 'round the old oak tree! Not only does the IRS have the sensitivity to recognize that people being held prisoner in foreign countries PROBABLY CAN'T FILE TAX RETURNS, but it also gives them ADDITIONAL TIME.

Oh, I know what you're thinking. You're thinking: "But couldn't the IRS do more? Couldn't it form a Hostage Taxpayer Assistance Commando Task Force, consisting of highly trained IRS agents who would parachute at night into the hostile nation, quietly make their way to the location where the hostages were being held, overpower the guards, and provide the captured taxpayers with the tax forms they'd need to file their returns on time?"

That's a very thoughtful suggestion, so please don't take it the wrong way when I point out that it's stupid. Because in order to provide all the forms and tables and instructions necessary to really do the job right, the commando IRS agents would have to carry an estimated 1,500 pounds of documents per hostage taxpayer. They'd fall from the plane like rocks and strike the hostile nation at well over 100 miles per hour. Innocent people could get hit.

So we're probably better off under our present system, although there have been a number of important tax-code changes this year that you should be aware of. Unfortunately I don't have enough space left to go into detail, but to summarize the key facts:

1. There have been a number of important tax-law changes.
2. You should be aware of them.
3. You have to destroy the individual tentacles BEFORE you can kill the giant eyeball.

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New releases

At the movies

THE END OF INNOCENCE

Dyan Cannon (writer, director, star) dominates this comedy drama. She plays a neurotic woman who lands in a rehab center where she tries to resolve a self-destructive need to please everyone. Cannon guides her cast well (including her own adequate performance), yet the script is shallow and the dialogue tends to be preachy. John Heard is notable as a group therapy leader. The late

Rebecca Shaeffer portrays the problem-plagued woman during her teen years. FAIR COMEDY-DRAMA DIRECTOR-Dyan Cannon LEAD-Dyan Cannon RT-102 mins. (Profanity-R)

HIDDEN AGENDA

Drawn-out turmoil in Northern Ireland is observed in this uneven political thriller. The steamy subject might have come across with more zeal and clarity

had it been in the hands of Costa-Gavras. The story, set in Belfast, concerns two American human-rights workers (Frances McDormand and Brad Dourif) assigned to investigate civil rights violations. All factions catch some blame for the tension and brutality. FAIR DRAMA DIRECTOR-Ken Loach LEAD-Frances McDormand RT-107 mins. (Profanity-R)

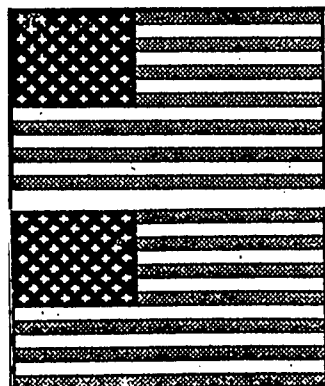
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THANKS, BEER MAN!

I JUST WISH WE HAD SOME BEER...

THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON

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"Say, ain't you a stranger in the part?"

Auditions for the Lone Ranger's horse

Well, he looks pretty good and... Whaaaaa? This is paint! White paint! Get out of my office, you shyster!

CHEEVERWOOD

by Michael Fry

MRS. OGLEBORR I'M MR. PERIWINKLE, THE PRINCIPAL. I UNDERSTAND YOU'RE OUR NEW 7TH GRADE ENGLISH TEACHER.

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I UNDERSTAND YOU HAVEN'T TAUGHT IN A FEW YEARS...

YES, BUT I'M SURE I CAN GET THE HANG OF IT AGAIN. WHAT COULD HAVE CHANGED?

WELL, FOR ONE THING, WE CAN WEAR STUN-GUNS ON OUR BELTS NOW...

...IT SEEMS TO ADD A DETERRENT FACTOR...

YES, I CAN SEE THAT.

CHEEVERWOOD

by Michael Fry

MRS. OGLEBORR, I JUST WANT TO GIVE YOU A FEW WORDS OF TEACHING ADVICE BEFORE YOU START ON MONDAY.

ALWAYS WATCH YOUR BACK... WORK ON PUTTING A TOUCH OF TERROR IN YOUR VOICE... NEVER LEAVE SHARPENED PENCILS AROUND... IF THREATENED OR ATTACKED—RUN LIKE HELL!

...AND ABOUT TEACHING?

...AS LITTLE AS POSSIBLE, IT TENDS TO AGGRAVATE THEM.

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- 1 Frog
- 5 Tear
- 8 Cerise and carmine
- 12 Unemployed
- 13 Metric measure
- 14 Great Lake
- 15 Jump
- 16 White House nickname
- 17 Baptismal basin
- 18 Tests
- 20 Stir to action
- 22 Female ruff
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- 37 Dash
- 40 Brown kiwi
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- 42 Peril
- 45 Maddens
- 49 Region
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- 52 Name for Athena
- 53 Peruse
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- 55 Hazard
- 56 Chapeaus
- 57 Man's nickname
- 58 Appointment

DOWN

- 1 Tip
- 2 River in Germany
- 3 Turkish regiment
- 4 Leave
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COLLEGE PRESS SERVICE

The Crossword Puzzle

Bowling, the sport of champions



From Left Field

by Don Carrick

Now is the time. It's late in the basketball season, football's over, baseball is months away. Now is the time to take part in the sport of royalty, the sport for all ages, the true American sport—Bowling.

Bowling is a sport you can play anytime and in any weather. Too cold for baseball? Go bowling! Too dark to play football? Go bowling! Too lazy to be on your feet for more than a minute at a time? Hey, go bowling! It's a sport you can play with a drink in one hand! It's a sport where you don't have to pick teams! Most importantly, it's a sport you can play with little or no experience!

For the benefit of those of you who have not played this wonderful game, here are some ground rules:

1) Rent shoes: It does seem kind of silly at first (Have you ever seen anyone go to a bowling alley in stiletto heels?) but soon you'll completely forget that you have two-tone, really ugly, one-size-too-big, 75 cent shoes on your feet.

2) Familiarize yourself with your alley: Check out the surface of the floor. Make sure the air thing in the middle of the ball return works. Sit down at the scoring table and pretend your Checkov or Sulu on Star Trek. Go ahead, have fun with it.

3) Choosing a ball: This can be a bit of a trial. Often, the only bowling balls you can find have holes a foot apart or weigh roughly 40 pounds. I personally use a member of the Flinstone Bowling Ball Line, the "Wilma and Betty Edition."

4) Use an alias: I don't know about you, but I know I don't want my name in front of my bowling score, so I use an alias. A good salt-of-the-earth bowling name like Earl, Rufus or Bud will work. For

the ladies I would suggest a name like Flo, Agnus or Bertha.

5) Buy lots of food: You'll need something to do while sitting on your kiesker, so why not eat! Please, no stuff like granola bars or tofu, I'm talking about real American bowling food! Get a polish dog, buy some nachos, wash it all down with a beer or a soft drink. True, in a few years you'll probably suffer from some terrible disease because of it, but you had fun while you were bowling didn't you?

6) Release the ball: I know this sounds like a stupid tip, but have you ever seen a 20-pound ball come crashing into the floor? It's not a pretty sight for either player or alley manager. I've seen some holes in alley floors that you could drop a truck into. So please, don't throw the ball, roll the ball.

I hope you enjoyed my bowling tips. Next week: tips on the wonderful sports of lawn darts and attending mud-a-thons.

February 21, 1991

Dr. Dewhirst Noon-time Forum
University Club 12:00 p.m.
Cincinnati Wind Concert
Charles Johnson 8:30 p.m.
Financial Assistance Workshop
Hake Hall 3:00 p.m.
IFC Meeting
Northwest Room 4:30 p.m.
Circle K Meeting
Governor's Room 5:15 p.m.
Panhellenic Council Meeting
Stockman Room 4:30 p.m.

February 22, 1991

"The 12th Night"
Mary Linn 7:30 p.m.
"Harold and Maude"
Newman Center 8:00 p.m.
"Heathers"
Newman Center 10:00 p.m.

February 23, 1991

"The 12th Night"
Mary Linn 7:30 p.m.
Kitten Basketball vs Mo-Rolla
Lamkin Gym 5:30 p.m.
Bearcat Basketball vs Mo-Rolla
Lamkin Gym 7:30 p.m.
Trio Day
Union Ballroom 9:00 a.m.

Events Calendar

February 24, 1991

"The 12th Night"
Mary Linn 2:00 p.m.
"Electric Zoot Suit"
Spanish Den 8:00 p.m.
MIAA Indoor Track Championship
Warrensburg



Washington's Birthday
February 22, 1991

February 25, 1991

Student Payday
Cashiering
Last day pass/fail
Registrar's office
CARE Meeting
Care Room 5:30 p.m.
Don Ehlers in Concert
Union Ballroom 4:30 p.m.
Job Interviews
Hornell and Company
Hallmark Card
Lower Lakeview Room

February 26, 1991

MIAA Women's Basketball
Multi-Cultural Talent Show
Mary Linn 7:30 p.m.
Job Interviews
Growmark, Inc.
KC School District
Lower Lakeview Room

February 27, 1991

Bearcat Basketball
Missouri-St. Louis
The Spencers Magic Show
Mary Linn 7:30 p.m.
Job Interviews
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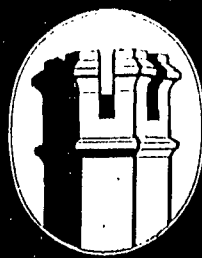
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The 'Best' Fight Songs

(CPS) The 12 "best" fight songs, according to Northern Illinois University music Professor William Studwell, belong to:

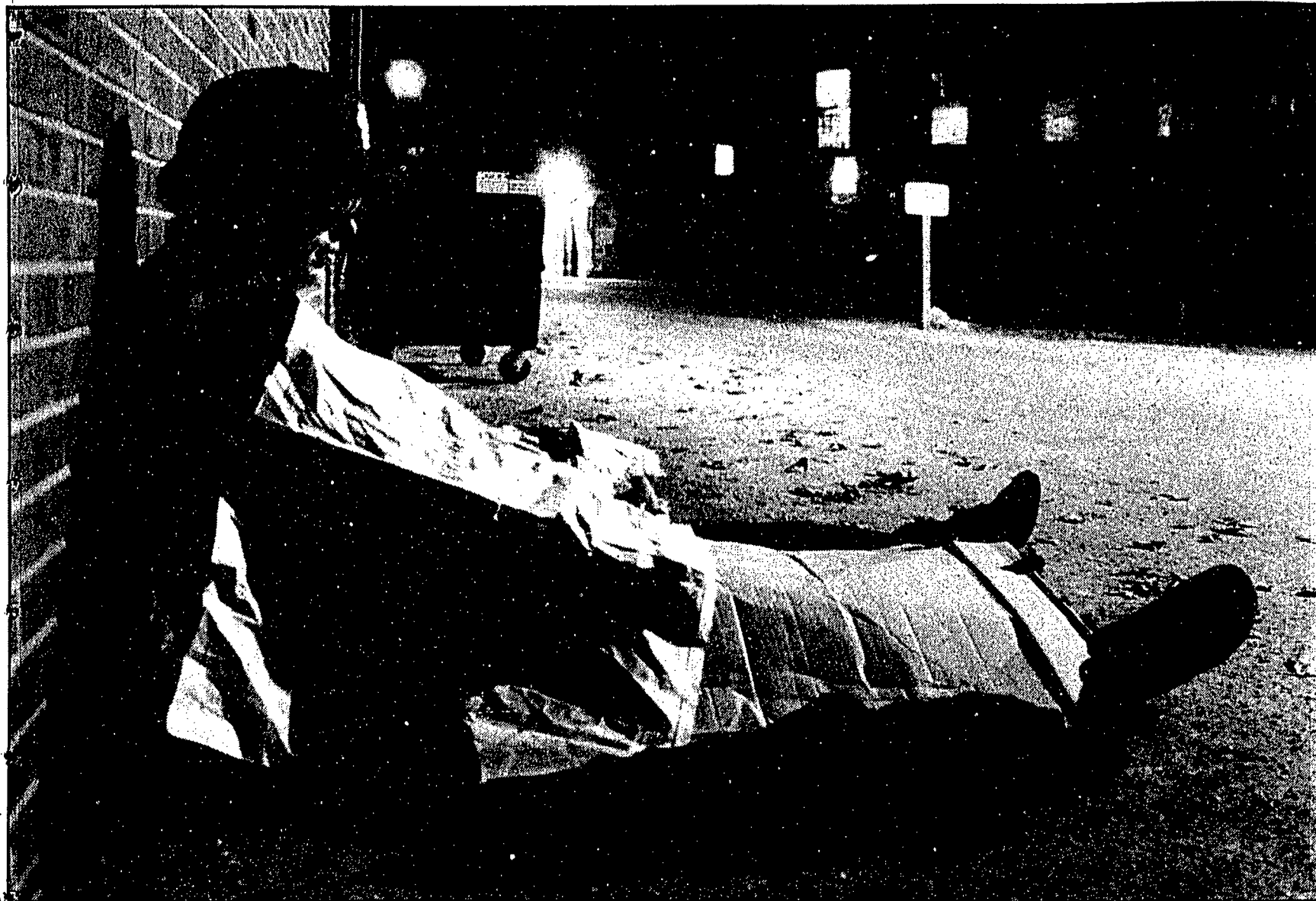
- 1) University of Notre Dame
- 2) University of Michigan
- 3) University of Wisconsin
- 4) Yale University
- 5) U. S. Naval Academy, University of Maine (tie)
- 6) University of Southern California
- 7) Georgia Tech
- 8) The University of Texas
- 9) Ohio State University
- 10) University of Illinois
- 11) Indiana University



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CAMPUS LIFE



*What it
is like
to live*

On the Street

A reporter's view on one of America's overlooked problems

by Gene Morris
Managing Editor

One simple event can sure change a person's perspective. Living in a dorm room might not be the most glamorous thing in the world, but it is certainly better than having no home at all.

I wandered from my dorm room last Saturday night to experience, to an extent, what it would be like to be homeless.

In my dorm room I had tough decisions like what to watch on television or what tapes to play on my stereo. All alone against the cruel, thrashing wind of the night, my thoughts were elsewhere.

I was trying to decide where the best place for me to sleep would be. It was a decision I had to make many times that evening, because as I soon found out, there was no such thing as a safe place to sleep.

I kept thinking how great it would be to go back to my dorm room and fall asleep, without a care in the world. I would fluff up the old pillow and pull the warm covers tight. It would be heaven compared to sleeping on the picnic bench by Colden Pond with my head resting against the bark of a tree.

It was like trying to sleep in an old wooden chair. My back was sore and my neck extremely stiff. If that wasn't bad enough, I knew I would have to get up and move around soon because I was beginning to lose the feeling in my legs. I was turning into a human ice cube and that Saturday night was one of the warmest all month.

The temperature was only one of the distractions I had to deal with trying to sleep outside. The noise outside was incredible. Everything from cars driving by to people walking across campus would wake me up.

I failed to hear these sounds in my dorm room, but now they were louder than ever. I would hear footsteps and wonder who might be coming. What would they think of me there all alone?

In my room I was a man, a writer, a student. I had everything to look forward to. That drastically changed when I found myself without a home

that night.

On that cruel evening I was alone and forgotten. I was like a sailboat on a windless sea. Frustration was all around me. Suddenly, for that brief moment in time, I had nothing. I was nothing more than another statistic.

I could run forever and not reach the finish line. There was no where for me to go, no place to be.

At one point, I saw a building checker who works for Campus Safety. I was sitting on the picnic bench by Colden Pond when his flashlight glared right at me.

I stayed right where I was. I didn't move at all. I could only wonder what he would do. I wondered what he would say to me, sitting there so early in the morning.

After what seemed like an eternity, he was gone. He didn't do or say anything to me. I heard more people coming shortly after that and decided it was time to move on to somewhere else.

I was afraid someone might be coming back in a few minutes to see what I was doing there. I didn't want to get blamed for doing something I wasn't doing. I really just wanted to be left alone.

I spent my time that evening going from one place to another. It was too cold to stay put for any length of time at all. I could only guess at how much I had walked that evening. Probably more than I had during most weeks of the semester.

I was afraid to go to sleep. What would be taken from me as I slept under the stars? What would be done to me as I lay there motionless?

I would hear a car coming and be disturbed by the headlights flashing across my face. Once being bothered by a car, I found myself looking for other places to stay. I knew I would only be there for a few minutes, until the cold breeze would force me to move onward again.

I knew I was going back to a nice warm room when I was finished working this story, but I also knew others were not so lucky. They would still be on the streets with no where to go.

During that lonely evening, I realized how lucky I was. I was not one of the thousands of homeless in the

United States. I had a warm place to stay and I had people who cared about me.

I looked around me and wondered. Why? How could America allow some of their citizens to live this way? How could all of the people around me sleep, knowing others were out on the streets?

The evening brought back memories that I had all but forgotten. It brought back a stroll I took in New Orleans last year, passing by several shops in the French Quarter. The shops had walkways filled by men and women covered with newspapers. It was a sad sight to see.

The difference from that scene to the rest of the French Quarter was astonishing. Just a few blocks away music could be heard. People were singing, drinking and generally having a good time. I still had to wonder about those who were left all alone on

the ground. What would happen to them?

It is easy to forget that there are people out there without a place to go, but they are there. Not only are they there, but they need our help.

It was for them that I had ventured from my comfortable dorm room that evening. I know I will never really know what it is like to be homeless, but I discovered enough to realize how dehumanizing it was.

While walking that night, I had the misfortune of disturbing some birds. I was scared half to death when the tree I was walking past erupted with noise. When I realized it was a bunch of birds I thought how ironic - even the birds had their own place to stay.

Leaving the homeless to fend for themselves on the streets is allowing them to live worse than the animals. Surely, they deserve more than that.

More than just numbers

The plight of the homeless

Facts compiled from *The Universal Almanac*, 1990 edition.

The sight of homeless people in America has become commonplace in virtually every community. According to "The Universal Almanac," the total number of homeless in America ranges from 50,000 to 3 million. (The numbers depends on what group is doing the counting.)

According to a study done by the National Alliance to End Homelessness, 735,000 people are without a home on any given night. A 1988 U.S. Department of Education survey estimated there were 220,000 homeless school-age children, more than 65,000 do not attend school regularly.

Causes for Homelessness: The Universal Almanac cited three main patterns for homelessness. According to a 1988 study done by the Institute of Medicine the three patterns are temporary, episodic and chronic.

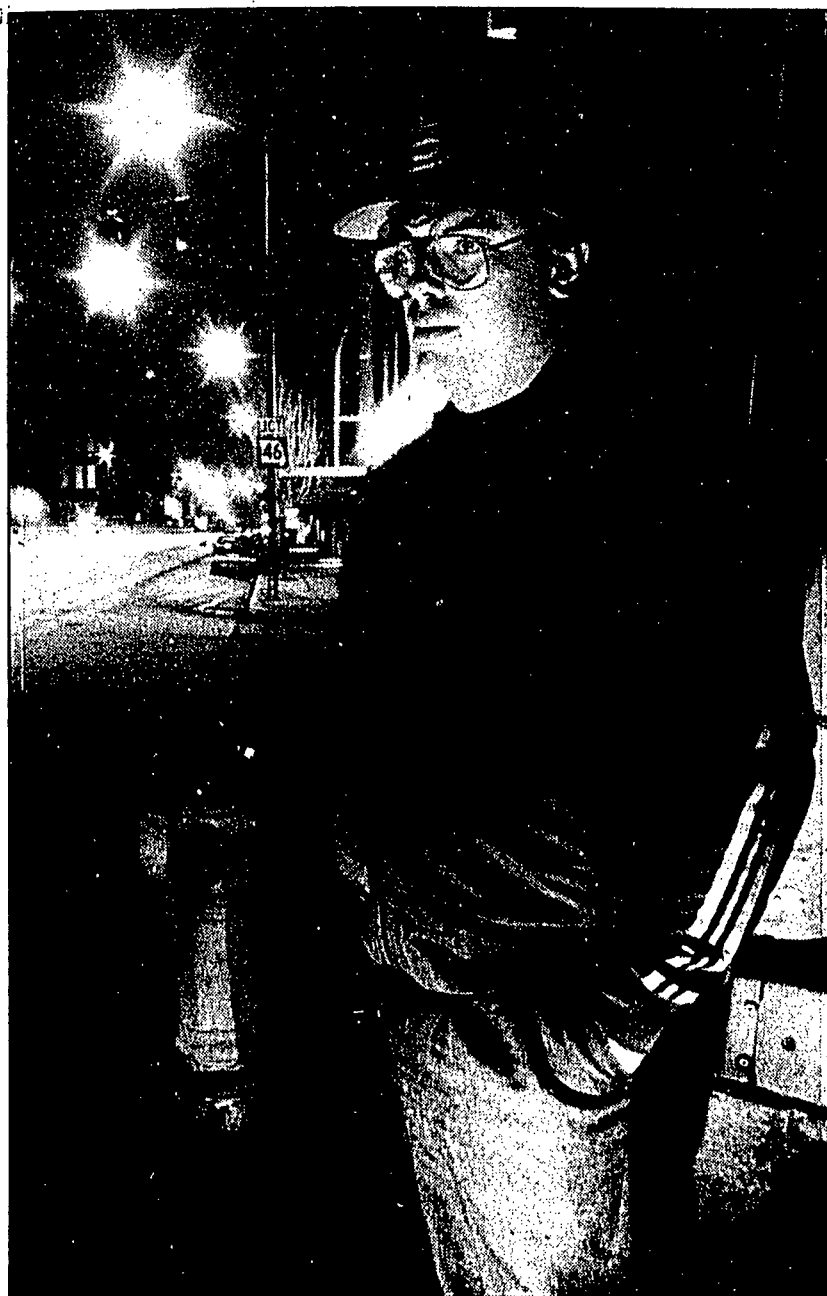
Homeless who are in the temporary category are those who have become so because of some natural or man-made disasters such as tornados or fires.

Episodically homeless people are often welfare recipients who run out of funds halfway through the month, as well as runaway or throwaway (children who are rejected by their parents) youths who move in and out of family situations.

Other people who would be considered to fall in this category would be abused wives and children who may move in with relatives or friends from time-to-time.

The chronically homeless, those who live on the streets for long periods of time, are more likely to suffer from substance abuse and mental illness.

Who are the Homeless: According to a survey done by the U.S. Conference of Mayors in 1988 the composition of 27 major cities' homeless population, on



STREETWISE—Top, Experiencing the plight of America's homeless by staying on the streets of Maryville for one night, Gene Morris tries to sleep in the drive behind Wells Hall using newspaper and cardboard for cover. (Photo illustration by Don Carrick)

NIGHT WATCH—Above, Waiting for morning to come, Gene Morris stands on the corner of Fourth and Main. Morris wandered around downtown Maryville most of the night, finding it very hard to sleep on the cold city streets (Photo illustration by Don Carrick)

average, was 49 percent single men; 34 percent members of families; 13 percent single women and five percent runaway and throwaway youths. Children, both in families and runaways, account for about 25 percent of the population. People considered mentally ill account for about 25 percent of the population and substance abusers account for 34 percent.

The survey also found 21 percent of homeless people are employed in full or part-time jobs and 26 percent are veterans.

Another study found the average age of single homeless men and women was between 34 and 37. Homeless adults are likely to have never been married and they usually do not have strong family ties.

Yakkety-yak, don't talk back

Everybody's got their own way of talkin'

Since the beginning of time words have been the essence of every man's soul. God created the world with just his voice, "Let there be light; and there was light."

Words not only create, they identify. When a person speaks, one can tell that person's political, economic and cultural standing.

Though man shall die, alone his words will stand through eternity.

by Charmla Thoren
Staff Writer

Like any language, the art of slang is an acquired skill. One needs to know what to say and how to say it. The teaching of slang begins with elementary children.

"My 10-year-old uses 'dweeb' to describe disagreeable people," said Dr. Carrol Fry, professor of English at Northwest.

Some parents get confused by the terms, but the tone of the child's voice may help to clarify it.

"My kids say 'No-dah', like I already know. I just hate it when they say that," said Ellen Pederson, circulation assistant at B.D. Owens library.

The circulation desk at the library is a good place to hear slang.

"I hear students at the counter talking," Davine Davis, reserve assistant said. "They'll say 'that pissed me off' or 'that's a crack.'"

Anyone who interacts with college students may hear conversations similar to these:

"My homies (friends) threw a def (really good) party last night and we all got totally wasted (drunk). But this morning I reversed gears (vomitted) and had an Excederin fix (headache). Now I'm really hangin' (hungover)."

"Oh wa (no one cares)."

"Hey don't dis' (disrespect) me."

"Chill out (calm down) man."

"I'm gonna fly (I am mad)."

"What's up (what is wrong)?"

"My prof (professor) needs to get a real life (change his ways). He just bagged (ruined) my weekend. I've got a test on Monday."

"That be it (that is all)? No prob (that's okay). I took that class last year and saved the tests."

"Cool (great), man. Now I can just blow it off (forget it)."

"What a babe (good looking person)!"

"Yeah, she's sweet (very nice)."

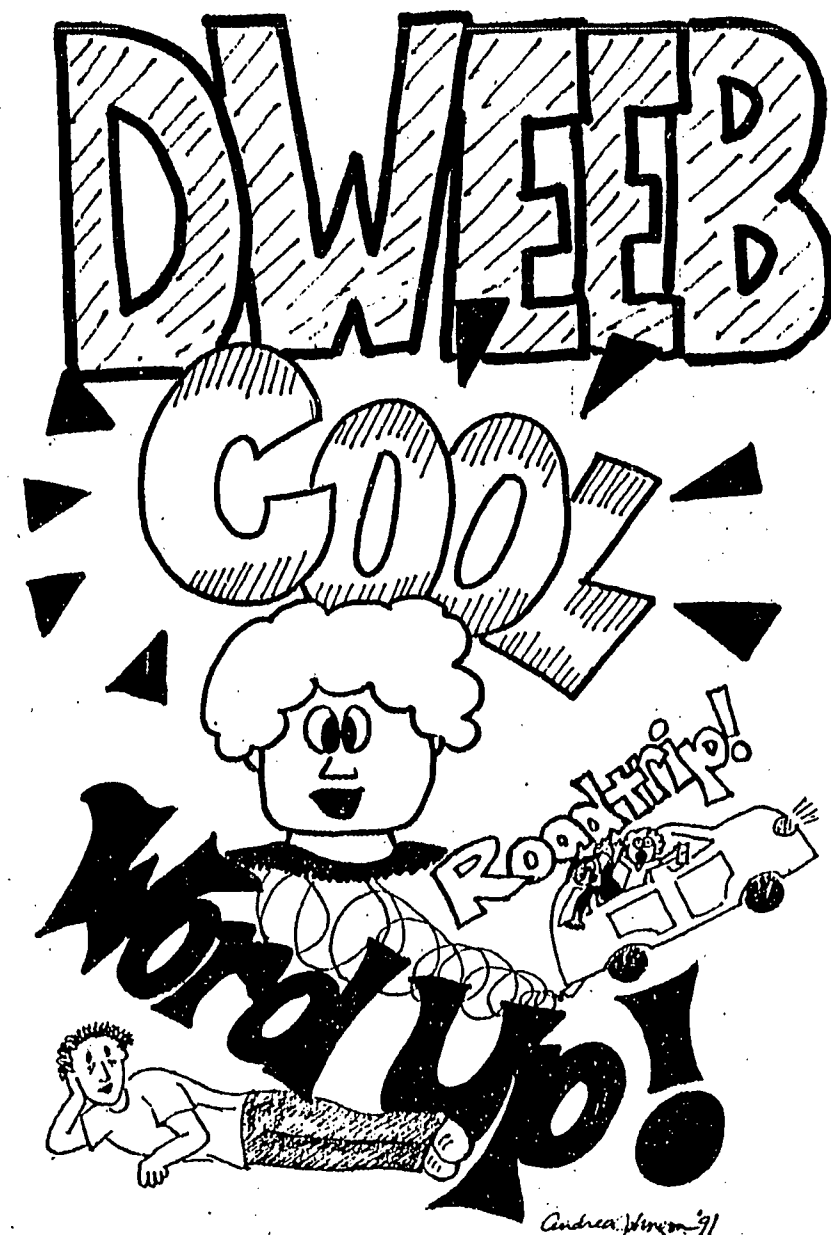
"I'd like to do the wild thing (have sex) with her."

"Get real."

Other terms frequently used are "road trippin'" (to drink and drive) not to be confused with "road surfin'" (to pull up a road sign and tie it to the bumper of a vehicle and have someone surf on the sign as the vehicle drives through town); "unit" (one who is so drunk he does not know what he is doing); and "Schlicky-do" (something really good).

If students are "clueless" (have no idea) about the new terms, one way to interpret the new language, according to an article in Newsweek Dec. 24, 1990, is to read Slang U, a dictionary of slang compiled by a teacher and her students from UCLA. Although new slang is invented every day, some words are familiar.

"Groovy never seemed to go away," Dr. Michael Allen, associate professor of English, said. "Now, it



is a term that is used sarcastically."

Other words that have changed meaning are nerd and geek. Sometimes these words are used in a complimentary way. It is not uncommon to walk across campus and hear students yell, "Hey, nerd, what's up?"

Slang is a language that one must keep up with. Unlike languages such as English and French, slang changes every day. Keep up with the language or you may slam (put down) your best friend, and that would be a real bummer (too bad).

INXS' album 'X',
Window into peoples' worlds

Music Review

by Pat Ley
KDLX Program Director

It is said Australia has one of the roughest music scenes in the world. A band trying to make it there has to play seedy bars with questionable owners. The people a musician meets in these places must leave an impression on him.

For INXS, this appears to be true. The characters in their songs tend to be down and out, one way or another. They may be rich or poor, but they all seem to be lost in some way. They may be runaways who live on the street, or they may be rich kids lost in drugs. But, there is also a romantic aspect to the characters. In INXS's songs, the people are also looking for a way out, either through their own courage or the love of another.

INXS's latest album, "X", is like their last release, "Kick", which was a collection of video-oriented songs, but without the blatant commercialism. Some of its songs are character studies of people who have been passed by the world around them. Songs like "Lately" (which would have fit well on "Listen Like Thieves") and "Who Pays the Price" speak of people who are looking at their life and don't like what they see. The sad part is they also don't know what to do about it.

Not all the songs on "X" deal

with such socially-minded topics. INXS also tackles the one problem all college students face some time—love—and all the difficulties that go along with it. Some songs deal with finding the perfect woman for the night ("Suicide Blonde") or for life ("Faith In Each Other"). Others deal with love falling apart ("Know the Difference"), longing for love lost ("By My Side") or love that will never be ("The Stairs").

Musically, "X" falls right in line with everything INXS has been writing since the "Listen Like Thieves" album. There are no surprises. It isn't especially adventurous like their early albums, but it's not a sure-thing money-maker either. It is more well-rounded than earlier efforts. There is still some obvious video material—songs that lack something without that visual aspect. But most of the songs are no-nonsense pop songs with a solid beat and bright melodies. Luckily for die-hard INXS fans, there is also a couple of songs reminiscent of the Shaboo Shaboo era that have a rhythm and blues/funk edge to them.

Overall, the album is solid and safe. Musically, it is a compilation of everything INXS has done before. It doesn't stretch the band's talents or present anything new. Lyrical, it is the band's strongest yet. Unfortunately, the songs don't offer any solutions, and the stories aren't ever resolved. Then again, INXS never claimed to have any answers. They just try to present a window into other peoples' worlds.

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REST AND RELAXATION—With almost 50 years of instruction between them, Mr. Gus Rischer and Dr. Stanley L. Wade face retirement from Northwest. (Photo by Don Carrick)

Two faculty members retire

by Jimmy Myers
Staff Writer

After 23 years at Northwest, Gus Rischer will retire Aug. 1, 1991. Rischer is the chairman of the psychology department and a member of the Athletic Council.

"I just want to be able to wake up some morning and decide what I want to do," Rischer said.

The recent death of Rischer's wife, Katie, has caused, what he said, a big void. "She was my wife and my best friend," he said.

Rischer added he will miss the students.

"They keep me young," he said. Rischer received his master's degree at California State in Los Angeles. Before coming to Northwest in 1968, Rischer was a high school administrator.

When Rischer arrived at Northwest, he saw the beginnings of a drug problem that had plagued California. He took evasive action and started a drug education program with Rollie Stadman, who was then a broadcasting student at Northwest. Stadman is now assistant to the president at Northwest. Stadman also had Rischer for a psychology class that Stadman said had "an immediate effect on my life. We talked about things that I had never talked about in a class before."

Virgil Albertini, an English professor at Northwest, writes in his book, "Towers of Northwest," "A fortunate turn for Northwest regarding America's drug culture came when Rischer was hired to teach psychology in 1968."

"I don't respect anybody more than Gus Rischer," Albertini said. Albertini has known Rischer

since 1968 and claims Rischer is one of the best administrators the psychology department has ever had.

"I'm going to miss Gus. The University will miss Gus," Albertini added.

Gordon Greene, a counselor at the student support service, has known Rischer since 1986. Rischer influenced Greene to seek a college education.

"He was kind and intelligent and very down to earth," Greene said. Greene has a master's degree in psychology and is considering seeking a doctorate. Greene said he owes a lot of his accomplishments to Rischer. He also said that if he were given an award, he hopes it would be for "being as good a person as Gus Rischer."

Sue Patterson has been working with Rischer since May 1984.

"I've been a secretary for 22 years and I've never had a boss as good as him. He's one of my best friends, and I hate to see him go," she said. "His leaving will make for quite a void."

Patterson described Rischer as a "family man." Rischer has three sons: Brad, who currently attends Northwest, and, up until two years ago, played football. Patterson claims Rischer never missed a game, home or away. Rischer's other sons are Greg, who is a custodian at Colden Hall, and Neil, who is a dentist practicing in Maryville.

Dr. Rick Weymuth in the music department has known Rischer for eleven years. "He is an excellent colleague and teacher. He is professional in all his dealings. I wish more students could have a Gus Rischer," he said.

Weymuth added that Rischer has a genuine care for students and that he loves teaching.

Another person who will be retiring this year is Dr. Stanley L. Wade, professor of educational administration. His retirement will be effective Dec. 31, 1991.

Wade grew up in southeast Kansas and received a master's degree at Pittsburg, Kan. Later, Wade went to KU and received a doctorate in school administration.

Wade came to Northwest in 1967. One year later he was called to serve his country in Vietnam. After one year in Vietnam he came back to Northwest.

"The students didn't protest like they did at other colleges. It was much more docile," he said.

As Wade leaves Northwest, the country is once again at war. When asked about the difference in students' attitudes toward the war, Wade said, "Students seem to be much more patriotic."

Wade said he will miss the students most.

"I have had some really remarkable students over the past 24 years," he said. "They have been great to work with."

Wade has three children, all girls. Each went to Northwest and two are now teaching.

After retirement, Wade will move to Arkansas where he plans to "hit a little white ball around."

Dr. Michael Graham, faculty member at Northwest, has known Wade since 1985.

"He was my informal mentor. He was the one I relied on, he helped me a lot," Graham said. "The students really respect him. We'll miss him quite a bit. He is a fine person and a great teacher."

The bad news and good news on tax-return time



Dave Barry

Syndicated
Columnist

Tax-return time is coming, and I have bad news and good news:

— The bad news is, tax-return time is coming.

— The good news is, I figured out how to get rich from it.

My plan is to set up Bad Taxpayer Advice Centers. The way these would work is, taxpayers would pay a fee, and our trained personnel would give them ludicrously incorrect information, such as that they can deduct the full cost of any item whose name contains two or more vowels. (EXAMPLES: "Boat" is deductible. So is "eel." But not "phlegm" or "cat.")

With this system, you would enjoy the confidence of KNOWING you were getting incorrect advice, as opposed to when you ask any of the so-called tax experts, who are frequently wrong, but not always, thus leaving you with an insecure feeling. Although you can't really blame the experts. Nobody understands the U.S. Tax Code, a huge, complex, mutant organism kept in a heavily guarded basement section of the Internal Revenue Service building. "Don't go in there!" the guards warn people. "The Tax Code is in there!" At night they throw meat to it.

This is why most of us taxpayers wisely elect to fill in our tax forms with essentially random numbers. Oh, we'll be diligent at first. We'll get out the cardboard box where we keep our financial records, and we'll make an honest effort to give accurate answers to the earlier questions, such as "TAXPAYER NAME." But when we get to the tricky questions such as how much money we earned, how we spent it, and exactly how many children we have, we tend to develop looser standards, especially when we realize that our financial records consist of a 1982 receipt from Burger King and six increasingly desperate letters asking us to renew our subscription to Newsweek.

So when we get to the question

about how much, exactly, we spent on "child care," we are going to have some questions of our own, including: What about Captain Skyhawk? Captain Skyhawk is a Nintendo game that we purchased for our son for Christmas because we are bad parents who wish to rot his mind. It cost \$41.99, and we definitely view this as a child-care expense on rainy Saturday afternoons when our son has what sounds like 73 friends over, and if they weren't totally engrossed in an effort to get to the last stage of Captain Skyhawk, where you have to kill a giant eyeball that has tentacles, then they would probably be putting spiders into the toaster. So we say to ourselves, OK, that's \$41.99 worth of child care right there, plus mileage to and from the mall, plus psychiatric damage caused by looking for a parking space amidst hundreds of holiday-crazed drivers who are so desperate that not only would they park in a handicapped person's parking space, but some of them would park on an actual handicapped PERSON. Pretty soon we realize that just this one item amounts to THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS in tax-deductible child-care expenses, and if the IRS agents don't agree with our calculations, then let THEM clean the charred spiders out of our toaster.

But this probably will not be necessary because the IRS is always eager to accommodate us taxpayers, to the point where sometimes we could just scream with gratitude. A heartwarming example of this is an IRS document that I received from alert reader Rick Guldin. The IRS issued this document last November to explain the tax-filing procedure for people being held hostage in Iraq. I am not making this up. And it's a good thing I'm not, because when a person is taken hostage and realizes that he may never see his home and loved ones again, the first thing he says to himself is: "Uh-oh! How am I going to file my federal tax return?"

In case you ever find yourself in this situation, here's a direct quote from the IRS document:

"Individuals who are detained by the Iraqi government probably will

be unable to file returns until their release...However, those who are detained in a foreign country against their will are allowed additional time to file their federal income tax returns. The due date for filing is extended until the 15th day of the third month following their release."

Whew. You talk about a big-hearted bunch! You talk about tying a yellow ribbon 'round the old oak tree! Not only does the IRS have the sensitivity to recognize that people being held prisoner in foreign countries PROBABLY CAN'T FILE TAX RETURNS, but it also gives them ADDITIONAL TIME.

Oh, I know what you're thinking. You're thinking: "But couldn't the IRS do more? Couldn't it form a Hostage Taxpayer Assistance Commando Task Force, consisting of highly trained IRS agents who would parachute at night into the hostile nation, quietly make their way to the location where the hostages were being held, overpower the guards, and provide the captured taxpayers with the tax forms they'd need to file their returns on time?"

That's a very thoughtful suggestion, so please don't take it the wrong way when I point out that it's stupid. Because in order to provide all the forms and tables and instructions necessary to really do the job right, the commando IRS agents would have to carry an estimated 1,500 pounds of documents per hostage taxpayer. They'd fall from the plane like rocks and strike the hostile nation at well over 100 miles per hour. Innocent people could get hit.

So we're probably better off under our present system, although there have been a number of important tax-code changes this year that you should be aware of. Unfortunately I don't have enough space left to go into detail, but to summarize the key facts:

1. There have been a number of important tax-law changes.
2. You should be aware of them.
3. You have to destroy the individual tentacles BEFORE you can kill the giant eyeball.

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New releases

At the movies

THE END OF INNOCENCE

Dyan Cannon (writer, director, star) dominates this comedy drama. She plays a neurotic woman who lands in a rehab center where she tries to resolve a self-destructive need to please everyone. Cannon guides her cast well (including her own adequate performance), yet the script is shallow and the dialogue tends to be preachy. John Heard is notable as a group therapy leader. The late

Rebecca Shaeffer portrays the problem-plagued woman during her teen years. **FAIR COMEDY-DRAMA DIRECTOR-Dyan Cannon LEAD-Dyan Cannon RT-102 mins. (Profanity-R)**

HIDDEN AGENDA

Drawn-out turmoil in Northern Ireland is observed in this uneven political thriller. The steamy subject might have come across with more zeal and clarity

had it been in the hands of Costa-Gavras. The story, set in Belfast, concerns two American human-rights workers (Frances McDormand and Brad Douer) assigned to investigate civil rights violations. All factions catch some blame for the tension and brutality. **FAIR DRAMA DIRECTOR-Ken Loach LEAD-Frances McDormand RT-107 mins. (Profanity-R)**

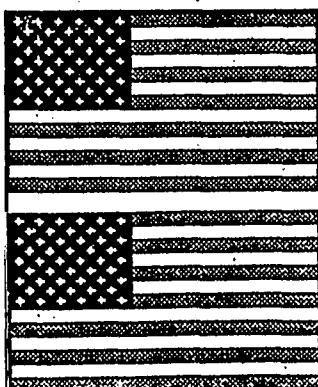
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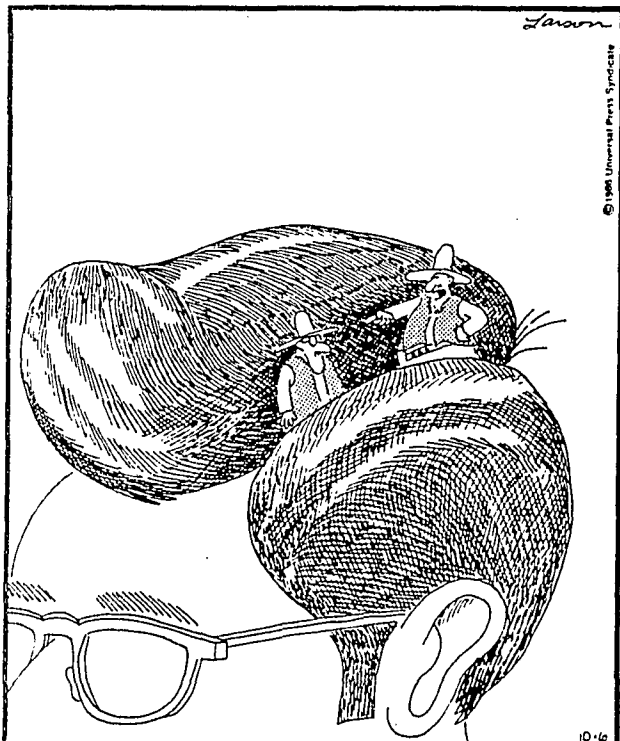
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For the benefit of those of you who have not played this wonderful game, here are some ground rules:

- 1) Rent shoes: It does seem kind of silly at first (Have you ever seen anyone go to a bowling alley in stiletto heels?) but soon you'll completely forget that you have two-tone, really ugly, one-size-too-big, 75 cent shoes on your feet.
- 2) Familiarize yourself with your alley: Check out the surface of the floor. Make sure the air thing in the middle of the ball return works. Sit down at the scoring table and pretend your Checkov or Sulu on Star Trek. Go ahead, have fun with it.
- 3) Choosing a ball: This can be a bit of a trial. Often, the only bowling balls you can find have holes a foot apart or weigh roughly 40 pounds. I personally use a member of the Flinstone Bowling Ball Line, the "Wilma and Betty Edition."
- 4) Use an alias: I don't know about you, but I know I don't want my name in front of my bowling score, so I use an alias. A good salt-of-the-earth bowling name like Earl, Rufus or Bud will work. For

the ladies I would suggest a name like Flo, Agnus or Bertha.

5) Buy lots of food: You'll need something to do while sitting on your kiesker, so why not eat! Please, no stuff like granola bars or tofu, I'm talking about real American bowling food! Get a polish dog, buy some nachos, wash it all down with a beer or a soft drink. True, in a few years you'll probably suffer from some terrible disease because of it, but you had fun while you were bowling didn't you?

6) Release the ball: I know this sounds like a stupid tip, but have you ever seen a 20-pound ball come crashing into the floor? It's not a pretty sight for either player or alley manager. I've seen some holes in alley floors that you could drop a truck into. So please, don't throw the ball, roll the ball.

I hope you enjoyed my bowling tips. Next week: tips on the wonderful sports of lawn darts and attending mud-a-thons.

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- Dr. Dewhirst Noon-time Forum
University Club 12:00 p.m.
Cincinnati Wind Concert
Charles Johnson 8:30 p.m.
Financial Assistance Workshop
Hake Hall 3:00 p.m.
IFC Meeting
Northwest Room 4:30 p.m.
Circle K Meeting
Governor's Room 5:15 p.m.
Panhellenic Council Meeting
Stockman Room 4:30 p.m.

February 22, 1991

- "The 12th Night"
Mary Linn 7:30 p.m.
"Harold and Maude"
Newman Center 8:00 p.m.
"Heathers"
Newman Center 10:00 p.m.
February 23, 1991
"The 12th Night"
Mary Linn 7:30 p.m.
Kitten Basketball vs Mo-Rolla
Lamkin Gym 5:30 p.m.
Bearcat Basketball vs Mo-Rolla
Lamkin Gym 7:30 p.m.
Trio Day
Union Ballroom 9:00 a.m.

Events Calendar

February 24, 1991

- "The 12th Night"
Mary Linn 2:00 p.m.
"Electric Zoot Suit"
Spanish Den 8:00 p.m.
MIAA Indoor Track Championship
Warrensburg



Washington's Birthday
February 22, 1991

February 25, 1991

- Student Payday
Cashiering
Last day pass/fail
Registrar's office
CARE Meeting
Care Room 5:30 p.m.
Don Ehlers in Concert
Union Ballroom 4:30 p.m.
Job Interviews
Hornell and Company
Hallmark Card
Lower Lakeview Room

February 26, 1991

- MIAA Women's Basketball
Multi-Cultural Talent Show
Mary Linn 7:30 p.m.
Job Interviews
Growmark, Inc.
KC School District
Lower Lakeview Room
February 27, 1991
Bearcat Basketball
Missouri-St. Louis
The Spencers Magic Show
Mary Linn 7:30 p.m.
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- 1) University of Notre Dame
- 2) University of Michigan
- 3) University of Wisconsin
- 4) Yale University
- 5) U. S. Naval Academy, University of Maine (tie)
- 6) University of Southern California
- 7) Georgia Tech
- 8) The University of Texas
- 9) Ohio State University
- 10) University of Illinois
- 11) Indiana University
- 12)

The Crossword Puzzle

DOWN

- 1 Tip
- 2 River in Germany
- 3 Turkish regiment
- 4 Leave
- 5 Lifted
- 6 Irritate
- 7 Looked intently
- 8 Reject
- 9 God of love
- 10 Eat
- 11 Gels
- 19 Confederate general
- 21 Native metal
- 24 Small lump
- 25 Exist
- 26 Exhaust
- 28 Greek letter
- 29 Vast age
- 30 Soak, as flax
- 34 Musical instruments
- 35 Fish eggs
- 36 Game fish
- 37 Produced
- 38 Transfix
- 39 Esteem
- 42 Sprint
- 43 Alms box
- 44 Tidy
- 46 Lamb's pen name
- 47 Remainder
- 48 Japanese beer
- 51 Female sheep

ACROSS

- 1 Frog
- 5 Tear
- 8 Cerise and carmine
- 12 Unemployed
- 13 Metric measure
- 14 Great Lake
- 15 Jump
- 16 White House nickname
- 17 Baptismal basin
- 18 Tests
- 20 Stir to action
- 22 Female ruff
- 23 Bitter vetch
- 24 Squandered
- 27 More profound
- 31 Macaw
- 32 Garden tool
- 33 Expel from country
- 37 Dash
- 40 Brown kiwi
- 41 Stalemate
- 42 Peril
- 45 Maddens
- 49 Region
- 50 Wooden pin
- 52 Name for Athena
- 53 Peruse
- 54 Be in debt
- 55 Hazard
- 56 Chapeaus
- 57 Man's nickname
- 58 Appointment

